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ON CHEMICAL QUALITY OF GROUND WATER AND BASE FLOW
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CONVERSION FACTORS

For those readers who would prefer to use the International System of Units (SI) rather than the inch-pound units given in this report, the following conversion factors are presented:

Multiply	<u>By</u>	To obtain
inch-pound unit		SI unit
foot (ft)	0.3048	meter
mile (mi)	1.609	kilometer
acre	4,047	square meter
gallon (gal)	3.785	liter
acre-foot (acre-ft)	1,233	cubic meter
cubic foot per second	0.02832	cubic meter per second
(ft^3/s)		
degree Fahrenheit (°F)	°C = 5/9 (°F-32)	degree Celsius (°C)

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ABSTRACT

Agricultural irrigation practices have caused long-term changes in the chemical quality of ground water and base flow in Prairie Dog Creek, and the Republican and Smoky Hill River valleys in north-central Kansas. All three areas had been irrigated for 10 or more years with both surface and ground water. Although concentrations of certain chemical constituents were significantly larger due to irrigation practices in all three areas, chemical quality of water in the Almena and Kansas-Bostwick Units generally met U.S. Environmental Protection Agency primary and secondary drinking-water standards during 1981-82. Concentrations of sulfate were, however, larger than the 250 milligrams per liter, the Federal secondary drinking-water standard, in 80 percent of the wells sampled in the vicinity of the Cedar Bluff Unit during 1981-82. Of the three areas investigated, the Cedar Bluff Unit in the Smoky Hill River valley had the most severe ground-water and base-flow degradation due to application of water with large concentrations of calcium, sulfate, and dissolved solids from Cedar Bluff Reservoir. Leaching of sodium and chloride from soils by applied irrigation water also caused increased concentrations of these constituents in ground water and base flow in the vicinity of the Cedar Bluff Unit. No long-term increases in nitrate concentration in ground water, significant at the 10-percent level, were observed in any of the three river valleys. Data collected from ground- and surfacewater sampling sites indicate that irrigation has not caused contamination of ground water in the alluvium with organic pesticides for which analyses were performed.

INTRODUCTION

Irrigation is the principal use of ground and surface water in Kansas. Ninety-two percent of the ground water pumped and 44 percent of all surface water diverted in the State were used for irrigation during 1975-80 (Solley and others, 1983). During this period, about 6.3 million acrefeet of irrigation water from ground and surface sources were applied annually on 3 million acres of land.

Irrigation-water applications have increased substantially in Kansas since 1955 (fig. 1). Considering the large quantities of irrigation water applied, along with fertilizers and pesticides that have been and are being applied to land in Kansas, the potential exists for changes in chemical

quality of both ground and surface water due to agricultural irrigation practices.

Potential effects of irrigation on water quality in Kansas are: (1) Contamination of surface and ground water with salts derived from irrigation water or irrigated soils, (2) contamination of surface and ground water with fertilizers or soil nutrients and pesticides by irrigation water percolating to the water table, and (3) induced movement of saline water from brackish-water aquifers underlying freshwater alluvial aquifers due to pumpage of freshwater (Balsters and Anderson, 1979). Although nationally, particularly in the Western States, much research has been conducted examining the effects of irrigation on ground- and surface-water quality, there have been relatively few studies in Kansas on this topic. Most of the available studies are relatively site specific in nature and have not addressed whether there are statistically discernible effects of irrigation throughout large geographic areas.

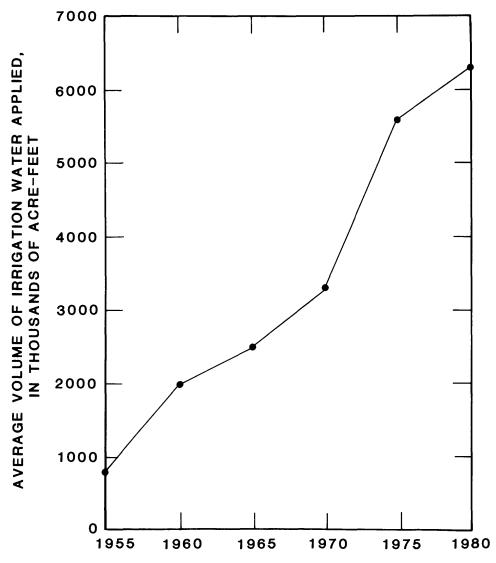


Figure 1.--Average volume of irrigation water applied annually in Kansas for 5-year increments, 1955-80 (data from MacKichan, 1957; MacKichen and Kammerer, 1961; Murray, 1968; Murray and Reeves, 1972, 1977; Solley and others, 1983).

During the fall of 1981, the U.S. Geological Survey, in cooperation with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, began an investigation of possible areal effects of irrigation on the chemical quality of ground water and base flow in river valleys in north-central Kansas (fig. 2). The term "preirrigation period" used in this report refers to "Postirrigation period" the period before large-scale irrigation began. refers to the period after large-scale irrigation began. The three areas to be investigated were in the vicinity of irrigation districts, which were established by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation in the late 1950's Irrigation water was derived largely from reservoirs and early 1960's. constructed by the Bureau in each of the irrigation districts, although ground water also was used for irrigation. Water released from the reservoirs was distributed to fields within the established irrigation district through series of canals. The three study areas, shown in figure 2, are: the Almena Unit in the Prairie Dog Creek valley in Norton and Phillips Counties, the Kansas-Bostwick Unit in the Republican River valley in Jewell and Republic Counties, and the Cedar Bluff Unit in the Smoky Hill River valley in Ellis and Trego Counties.

The objectives of this investigation were: (1) To statistically summarize and describe chemical quality of ground water and base flow and (2) to detect possible long-term effects of irrigation on the chemical quality of ground water and base flow in the vicinity of the three irrigation districts. Ground-water samples from domestic, stock, irrigation, and public-supply wells, and low-flow, surface-water-quality samples were collected, and discharge measurements on the streams and their tributaries were made for 1 year ending in the fall of 1982. Ground-water chemical-quality data are presented in tables 14-16, and surface-water chemical-quality data are presented in tables 17-19 in the "Supplementary Information" section at the end of this report.

Statistical summarizes of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data, and discussions of water quality with respect to possible sources of chemical constituents are presented in the report. The ground-water chemical-quality data also are compared to regional background concentrations where information was available. In addition, ground-water chemical-quality data from previous studies were statistically compared to newly collected data to evaluate long-term effects of irrigation.

METHODS OF SAMPLE COLLECTION AND LABORATORY ANALYSIS

Ground-water samples were collected, and onsite measurements of pH and specific conductance were made at irrigation, domestic, stock, and public-supply wells according to methods described by Wood (1976). Surface-water samples to be analyzed for inorganic chemical constituents were collected according to methods described in Brown and others (1970). Unfiltered water samples for organic-pesticide determinations were collected in 1-gallon, brown-glass bottles. Water samples for inorganic constituents collected from wells before 1975 may not have been filtered, whereas water samples collected from wells during 1981-82 were filtered through a 0.45 micrometer membrane filter. Comparative quality-control information on laboratory analytical techniques for selected chemical constituents in water samples collected before 1975 and during 1981-82 are shown in table 1.

All analytical determinations for this investigation were performed by the Division of Laboratories, Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Topeka, Kansas. Earlier analyses of ground-water samples from the Prairie Dog Creek valley (Frye and Leonard, 1949) and the Smoky Hill River valley (Leonard and Berry, 1961) were performed by the U.S. Geological Survey laboratory in Lincoln, Nebraska. Historical analyses of ground-water samples from the Republican River valley and surface-water samples from Prairie Dog Creek and the Smoky Hill River were made by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

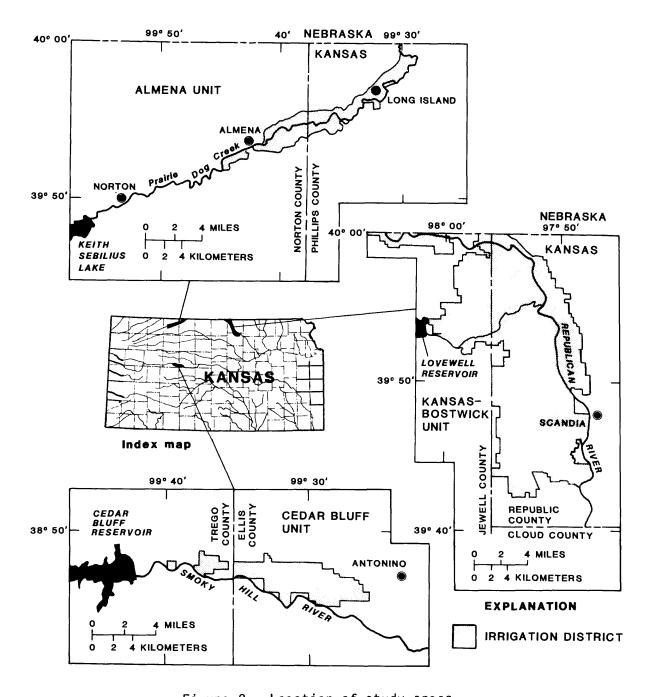


Figure 2.--Location of study areas.

Table 1.--Comparative quality-control information on laboratory analytical techniques for selected chemical constituents, physical properties, and organic pesticides in water samples collected before 1975 and during 1981-82

[All analyses during 1981 and 1982 were made by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment]

Chemical constituent or property	t Reporting units	Method used, Minimum pre-1975 report- ing unit,	Minimum report- ing unit, pre-	Relative standard deviation (R.S.D.) and relative error (R.E.), in percent, pre-19751	Method used, Minimum 1981-82 reporting unit, 1981-82	Relative standard deviation (R.S.D.) and relative error (R.E.), in percent, 1981-822/
				R.S.D.[concentration] R.E.	• E•	R.S.D.[concentration] R.E.
Dissolved solids	Milligrams per liter	Residue on evaporation, 180° Celsius	1	ភ	Computed 3/ 1	QN
Calcium	• op	Permanganate; titritmetric	1	3.5 [108] 2.8	Atomic absorp1 tion, direct	11 [83] 5
Magnesium	• op	Grav imetric	•	6.3 [82] 4.9	do1	7 [54] 1
Sodium	•op	Calculated as residual with potassium be- fore 1950	-	4/E. 10 R.E.	do1	5 [31.8] 1
	•op	Flame photom- etry	.1	17.3 [19.9] 4		
Potassium	•op	Calculated as residual with sodium before 1950	1	4/E. 10 R.E.	do1	20 [6,3] 2
	•op	Flame photom- etry		15.5 [3.1] 2.3		
Alkalinity	• ор	Manual titra- tion methyl- orange indi- cator	1	2/15 [217] 2	Autoanalyzer; 1 methyl orange	10 [217] 2
Chloride	• op	Argentometric	۲,	2/5 [31.9] 1	Argentometric .1	5 [31.9] 1
Sulfate	•op	Gravimetric	7	4.7 [259] 1.9	Autoanalyzer; 1 methyl-thymol blue	5 [400] 3

Table 1.--Comparative quality-control information on laboratory analytical techniques for chemical constituents, physical properties, and organic pesticides in water samples before 1975 and during 1981-82--Continued

Chemical constituent or property	t Reporting units	Method used, M pre-1975 r	Minimum report- ing unit,	Relative standard deviation (R.5.D.) and relative error (R.E.), in percent, pre-19751	Method used, Minimum 1981-82 reportin unit, 1981-82	Minimum reporting unit, 1981-82	Relative standard deviation (R.S.D.) and relative error (R.E.), in percent, 1981-822/
			1975 R	R.S.D.[concentration] R.E.	ы.	α	R.S.D.[concentration] R.E.
Fluoride	Milligrams per liter	Alizarin visual	1 0.1	10.6 [.68] 1.5	Ion selective electrode	0.1	8 [1.07] 1
Nitrogen (nitrate- nitrite)	•op	Brucine	.1	8 [55] 3	Analyzer; cadmium reduction	.01	10 [0.55] 1
	• op	Phenoldisulfonic acid	ic .1	74 [1] 38		.01	
Total phosphorus	•op	Persulfate, Stannous chloride	-:	14.9 [0.99] 12.3	Autoanalyzer, phosphomolyb- date	.01	15 [1.46] 2
Silica	•op	Molybodosili- cate		2/27 [7.4] 1	Atomic	٠.	33 [7.4] 4
Arsenic	Micrograms per liter	1		ı	Atomic, flameless	10	19 [18] 1
Barium	• op	1	,	;	Atomic, flameless	100	28 [240] 1
Cadimum	. ob	1	1	i	Atomic, direct	-	18 [9] 1
Chromium	. ob	;	,	ł	do.	10	30 [27] 1
Copper	. ob	;	•	;	do.	10	18 [29] 1
Lead	• op	ł	ı	;	. ob	10	14 [23] 43
Selenium	•op	1	•	ŀ	Atomic5/	-	25 [11.1] 8
Iron	•op	;	ı	i	Atomic, direct	10	45 [210] 2

Table 1.--Comparative quality-control information on laboratory analytical techniques for chemical constituents, physical properties, and organic pesticides in water samples before 1975 and during 1981-82--Continued

1975 R.S.D.[Concentration] R.E. R.S.D.[Chemical constituent or property	t Reporting units	Method used, Minimum pre-1975 report- ing unit,	Minimum report- ing unit, pre-	Relative standard deviation (R.S.D.) and relative error (R.E.), in percent, pre-19751/	Method used, Minimum 1981-82 reporting unit, 1981-82	Minimum reporting unit, 1981-82	Relative standard deviation (R.S.D.) and relative error (R.E.), in percent, 1981-822
ese Micrograms per liter				19/5	R.S.D.[concentration] R	•,E•	8	.S.D.[concentration] R.E.
in 46. 40. 19 05 in 40. 05 05 ychlor 40. 20 ene 40. 20 do. 20 T 40. 20 T 40. 20	Manganese	Micrograms per liter	1		1	Atomic, direct	10	7 [220] 1
in do. .05 e do. .025 ychlor do. 2.0 ene do. 2.0 do. .20 T do. .40	Zinc	• op	;	•	l	qo.	10	10 [100] 1
e do. .025 ychlor do. .20 ene do. .20 do. .40 T do. .20	Dieldrin	qo.			19		• 05	/90N
ychlor do. .20 ene do. .20 do. .40 T do. .20 T do. .20	Lindane	do.					.025	
ene do. 2.0 do. .20 T do. .40	Methoxychlor	do.					.20	QN
do20	Toxaphene	do.					2.0	ON
do40 T do20	Silvex	qo•					.20	QN
do20	2,4-D	do.					.40	QN
	2,4,5-T	• op					.20	QN

 $^{^{}m 1}$ American Public Health Association (1971; 1975) unless otherwise noted.

² U.S. Geological Survey Analytical Evaluation Program, 1979-80.

Dissolved solids in milligrams per liter = milligrams per liter of calcium + sodium + potassium + magnesium + [bicarbonate (milligrams per liter \times 0.4917)] + sulfate + chloride + nitrate.

Estimated relative error (accuracy) based on known measurements of sodium and potassium in nine samples and milliequivalent values for sodium and potassium calculated as residual (see Hem, 1970, p. 234 and table 20 at the end of this report).

⁵ U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1974).

⁶ Not determined.

Irrigation water can be a direct source of chemical constituents in ground water beneath irrigated areas. If water from a surface-water reservoir differs in chemical composition from the ground water underlying cropland to which reservoir water is applied, concentrations of chemical constituents in the ground water can change due to simple chemical mixing. In addition, because base flow of most streams is derived from ground water, the chemical composition of base flow also may change.

In addition to irrigation water applied from the reservoirs, there are a variety of possible natural and anthropogenic sources of chemical constituents in the ground and surface water. In north-central Kansas, natural sources of calcium, magnesium, and bicarbonate are limestone fragments in Additional sources of calcium may be the soils and alluvial sediments. gypsum deposits in shale underlying the valley deposits. Bicarbonate may be derived from carbon dioxide that has been extracted from the air and liberated in soil through biochemical activity (Hem, 1970, p. 287) and from the dissolution of carbonate minerals by carbonic acid. The principal natural source of sulfate appears to be gypsum in shale of Cretaceous age, which underlie the alluvial sediments in all three areas. Eroded fragments of gypsiferous rocks in the alluvium also could be a source of sulfate in ground water. Generally, the largest concentrations of sulfate were determined in water from wells that were at least partially cased into the shale. Possible sources for sodium, potassium, and chloride are evaporite deposits in the Cretaceous rocks, Quaternary deposits, and sewage or septic systems. Possible sources of dissolved silica are silicate minerals contained in soils and rocks.

Sources of ammonia, nitrate, and phosphorus are organic material in the soils, fertilizers applied to crops, and sewage or septic systems. Sources of pesticides in ground water and base flow are the application of these compounds to crops and soils.

Sources of trace elements appear to be rocks and soils in the area. Principal sources of selenium and fluoride probably are volcanic-ash deposits associated with the Cretaceous shale. Eroded fragments of Cretaceous rocks in the alluvium also could be a source of these constituents. Iron and manganese in the alluvial sediments may be derived from organic debris or eroded rock fragments containing iron minerals. Evaporite deposits in rocks and soils are possible sources of boron. Arsenic may be derived from rocks and soils as well as from some herbicides and insecticides.

PRAIRIE DOG CREEK VALLEY, ALMENA UNIT

History of Irrigation Development

The Almena Unit is located in the Prairie Dog Creek valley, a tributary of the Republican River, in Norton and Phillips Counties (fig. 3). The irrigation district begins approximately 11 river miles downstream from

Norton Dam and ends near the Kansas-Nebraska State line. Approximately 5,350 acres were included within the irrigation-district boundaries during 1981-82 (U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, 1983). Irrigation releases from Keith Sebelius Lake began during 1967, and since that time an average of 5,800 acre-feet of water were released annually until 1979. No releases for irrigation occurred during 1979, 1981, or 1982 because of insufficient water in the lake (U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, 1982). About 1,000 acrefeet of water were released from the reservoir during 1980. In addition to irrigation with surface water, crops in the Prairie Dog Creek valley are irrigated with ground water. One hundred and forty-seven large-capacity irrigation wells were located in the valley during 1978 (Stullken, 1984).

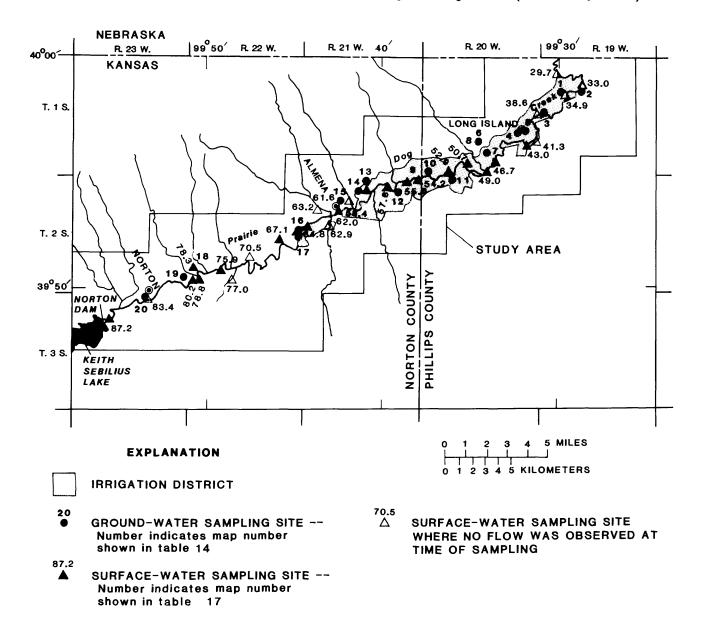


Figure 3.--Location of ground- and surface-water sampling sites in Prairie Dog Creek valley.

Hydrogeology

Terrace and alluvial deposits of Quaternary age in the Prairie Dog Creek valley comprise the principal aquifer and source of water in the These deposits, which range in thickness from 20 to 80 feet, consist of sand and gravel that overlie the Niobrara Formation of Cretaceous The Ogallala Formation of Tertiary age surrounds the Prairie Dog Creek valley and is the major source of water for areas away from the valley. discontinuous Pierre Shale of Cretaceous age overlies the Niobrara Formation at locations near the stream valley, where it occurs as an erosional remnant and is exposed in the northeastern part of the study area. and Leonard (1949) reported that the Pierre Shale does not yield water to wells and that the Niobrara Formation was a "poor" aquifer. Dunlap (1982) showed that during the spring of 1977, the water table sloped downvalley toward the northeast, with water-table contours curved toward the creek from the valley walls. Dunlap also cites L. E. Stullken (U.S. Geological Survey, written commun., 1980) who reported that water levels had risen 5 to 10 feet between 1950 and 1970 due to irrigation-water releases from Keith Sebelius Lake.

Hydrologic Conditions and Chemical Quality of Water, 1981-82

Prairie Dog Creek was a losing $\frac{1}{2}$ stream throughout most of its length in the study area during March 1982, as indicated in figure 4. Flow upstream from site 70.52/ was due to discharge of treated sewage effluent from the city of Norton, 1 mile upstream from site 80.2. No streamflow was measured at site 70.5. Data in figure 4 indicate that the alluvial aguifer between sites 80.2 and 70.5 was being recharged partially by sewage effluent from the city of Norton. A streamflow of 0.004 ft³/s was measured at site 67.1, which increased to 0.4 ft 3 /s at site 55.8. The increase was due to ground-water inflow from the alluvium. Streamflow decreased to 0.002 No flowing water was observed downstream from site ft^3/s at site 43.0. 43.0 to the Kansas-Nebraska State line. No flow was observed in Prairie Dog Creek downstream from site 62.0 during November of 1981 or 1982. Ground-water withdrawals in the Prairie Dog Creek valley have caused Prairie Dog Creek to change from a perennial to an ephemeral stream.

A statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data from the Prairie Dog Creek valley, 1981-82, is presented in table 2. Ground-water samples from supply wells in the Quaternary deposits and base-flow samples from the surface-water sampling sites indicate that the dominant cation and anion in the Prairie Dog Creek valley are calcium and bicarbonate, although some samples contained a large percentage of sulfate. Water samples from wells 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, and 20 (table 14 at the end of this report) and surface-water site 80.2 (table 17 at the end of this report) contained more than 100 mg/L (milligrams per liter) of sulfate, substantially more than the median concentration of 64 mg/L for ground water in the valley.

A losing stream is one that loses water from the stream channel to the aquifer.

Surface-water sampling-site numbers correspond to the distance upstream from the stream mouth, in river miles.

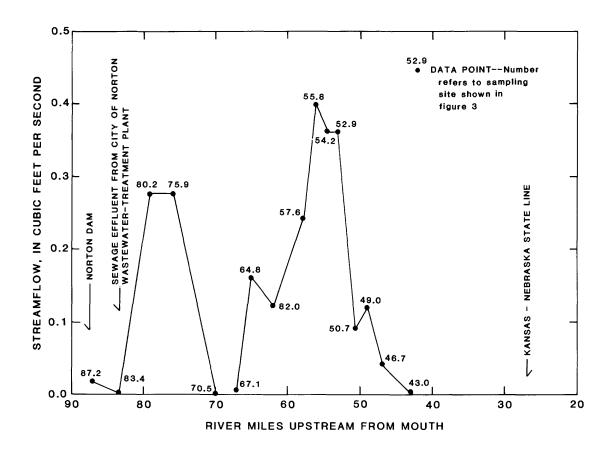


Figure 4.--Instantaneous streamflow in Prairie Dog Creek from Norton Dam to the Kansas-Nebraska State line, March 1982.

Generally, water-quality characteristics for most chemical constituents in the ground water and base flow in this valley meet Federal standards for drinking water. Median concentrations of chemical constituents shown in table 2 are less than mandatory (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1976) or recommended (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1977) maximum contaminant levels.

REPUBLICAN RIVER VALLEY, KANSAS-BOSTWICK UNIT

History of Irrigation Development

The Kansas part of the Bostwick Unit is located in the Republican River valley in Jewell and Republic Counties (fig. 5). The Republican River and Lovewell Reservoir on White Rock Creek, a tributary stream located on the western side of the Republican River, are the sources for irrigation water in the Kansas-Bostwick Unit. The northwestern part of the irrigation district is irrigated by water primarily from the Republican River, which is diverted at Guide Rock, Nebraska (not shown in figure 5); irrigation in this area began during the early 1950's. The southeastern part of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit is irrigated by water from Lovewell Reservoir. Releases from Lovewell began during 1958 (Fader, 1968). Based on

Table 2.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Almena Unit, Prairie Dog Creek valley, 1981-82

Chemical constituent or property	Units	Source 1	Sample size	Mean	Stand- ard devi- ation	Mini- mum	First Quar- tile	Median	Third Quar- tile	Maximum
Specific conductance	µ S/cm <u>2</u> ∕	5 8	19 14	990 630	362 84	360 450	750 660	860 700	1,070	1,860 1,130
Hd	standard units	9 8	19 14	7.2	1.4.	7.1	7.2	7.2 8.1	7.3	7.4
Calcium, dissolved	mg/L3/	<u> დ</u>	19 15	140 96	40 18	100 65	110 86	120 95	150 110	260 130
Magnesium, dissolved	• op	5 8	19 15	24 20	7.9	13 16	18 17	21 20	31 23	4 <i>7</i> 25
Sodium, dissolved	•op	<u>ი</u> გ	19 15	44 43	46 31	13 13	18 25	29 36	50 42	200 130
Sodium-absorption- ratio	1	<u>ი</u> გ	19	6.	٠	۳ ا	5.	9. :	H	4
Potassium, dissolved	mg/L3/	<u>ი</u> გ	19 15	16 18	9	7	11	15 17	19 19	32 32
Alkalinity, as CaCO3	. ob	ც ფ	19	370	61	260	330	350	420	200
Sulfate, dissolved	•op	മ	19 15	110 56	100 25	14 15	36 46	64 58	160 60	390 120

Table 2.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Almena Unit, Prairie Dog Creek valley, 1981-82--Continued

Chemical constituent or property	Units	Source 1	Sample size	Меап	Stand- ard devi- ation	Mini- mum	First Quar- tile	Median	Third Quar- tile	Maximum
Chloride, dissolved	mg/L3/	<u>5</u> 8	19 15	35 53	34 42	7	14 31	24 41	35 47	110
Fluoride, dissolved	•op	ന മ	19 15	w. 4.	 ω.	2.2	m 2.	ຕຸຕຸ	4.4	1.2
Solids, dissolved	•op	ന മ	17 13	564 471	115 123	432 283	483 426	517 444	665 514	823 760
Nitrogen, dissolved (NO2 + NO3) as N	•op	മ	19 15	3.5 .51	5.89	4/0	00	.0	5.7	16 3
Ammonia, dissolved, N Ammonia, total, N	• op	യ് മ	19 15	.18	.15	.07	.09	.11	.27	.55
Phosphorus, dissolved Phosphorus, total	• op	മ	19 15	.33	.17	.13	.17	.28	.47	7 • 64 7 4.30
Arsenic, dissolved Arsenic, total	/ G 1/6n	ឲ្យ	19 15	12 9	3	00	10 10	10	15 10	30 10
Barium, dissolved Barium, total	• op	 മ	19 15	270 150	110 64	100 100	200	300 100	350 200	400 300
Boron, dissolved Boron, total	•op	ច្ន	19 12	180 180	09	60 130	150 140	170 170	200	380 340

Table 2.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Almena Unit, Prairie Dog Creek valley, 1981-82--Continued

Chemical constituent or property	Units	Source 1/	Sample size	Mean	Stand- ard devi- ation	Mini- mum	First Quar- tile	Median	Third Quar- tile	Maximum
Selenium, dissolved Selenium, total	μg/L <u>5</u> /	5 B	19 15	2 %	9		2	2	3	28 5
Iron, dissolved Iron, total	• op	ច្ន	19 15	530 460	630 670	09	20 90	250 190	1,100 360	2,100 2,600
Manganese, dissolved Manganese, total	•op	ය හ	19 15	440 110	470 190	0 10	10 20	320 40	780 80	1,400 750

G = ground-water sample; B = base-flow sample.

2 Microsiemens per centimeter at 25 °Celsius.

3 Milligrams per liter.

Zero values indicate concentrations below the minimum reporting unit. 4

⁵ Micrograms per liter.

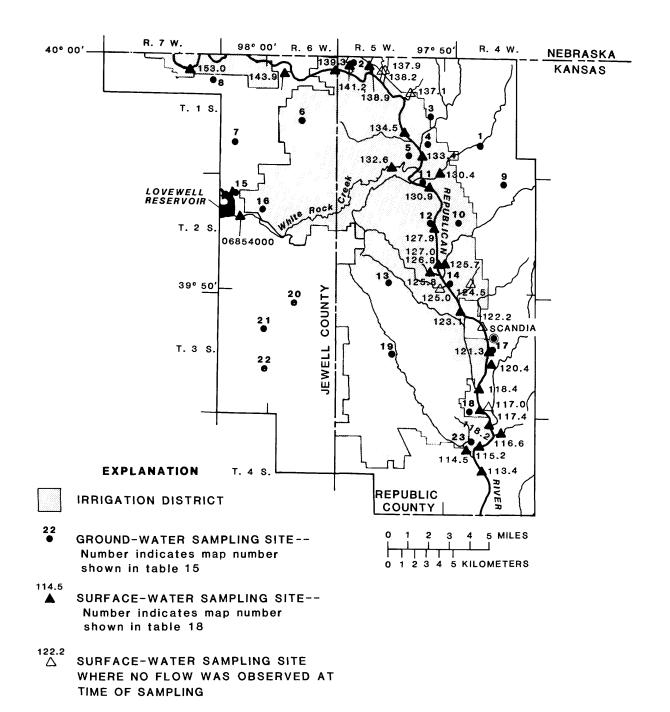


Figure 5.--Location of ground- and surface-water sampling sites in Republican River valley.

data from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (1970; 1980), about 66,000 acrefeet of water were diverted annually into the canals for irrigation purposes between 1961 and 1980. An average of approximately 60,000 acrefeet of water were diverted into canals during 1981 and 1982. Before

1950, very little irrigation occurred, and this primarily was with ground water. Fishel and Lohman (1948) reported that only four irrigation wells were operating at the time their investigation was conducted during the 1940's. Significant irrigation with ground water occurred within the Kansas-Bostwick Unit during 1981 and 1982. The highest density of irrigation wells are located in the southern one-half of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit.

<u>Hydrogeology</u>

The Kansas-Bostwick Unit is located in unconsolidated deposits of Quaternary age, which are composed of silty clay interbedded with layers of sand and medium-to-coarse gravel derived from eroded sandstone and lime-stone bedrock (Dunlap, 1982). Thickness of the alluvium in the valley of the Republican River is as much as 130 feet (Bayne and Walters, 1959). Rocks of Cretaceous age form the base of the alluvial aquifer. Based on lithologic logs shown in Fishel and Lohman (1948), either the Greenhorn Limestone or the underlying Graneros Shale of Cretaceous age form the base of the alluvial aquifer within the irrigation district.

The major source of ground-water supplies in the Republican River valley is the alluvial aquifer. Irrigation, public, domestic, and stock supply wells obtain water primarily from the alluvium. The Graneros Shale does not yield water to wells, and few domestic and stock supply wells obtain water from the Greenhorn Limestone. Movement of water in the valley alluvium during 1977 was to the south and downvalley, with water-table contours sloping from the valley walls indicating that the river drains the alluvial aquifer (Dunlap, 1982). Water levels in the Kansas-Bostwick Unit between Lovewell Reservoir and the Republican River rose about 25 feet between 1957 and 1977 as a result of irrigation-water applications (Dunlap, 1982).

Hydrologic Conditions and Chemical Quality of Water, 1981-82

Streamflow during April and October 1982, in the Republican River from near the Nebraska-Kansas State line to sampling site 113.4 is shown in figure 6. The Republican River is generally a gaining stream from near the State line to sampling site 121.3 near Scandia. The gain of 30 ft 3 /s between sites 126.9 and 121.3 during October probably is due to ground water discharging from the irrigated fields in the southeastern part of the irrigation district; less than 20 percent (or about 5 ft 3 /s) of the gain was due to tributary inflows. The Republican River did not appear to gain flow between sites 121.3 and 113.4 during both April and October. The absence of increase in flow may be due to ground-water pumpage in the valley south of site 121.3. Data from the U.S. Geological Survey's Ground-Water Site Inventory file (Lawrence, Kansas) indicate a dense concentration of irrigation wells in the Republican River valley south of site 121.3.

Ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data from the Republican River valley are summarized statistically in table 3. The dominant cation and anion in water from the alluvial deposits in the Republican River

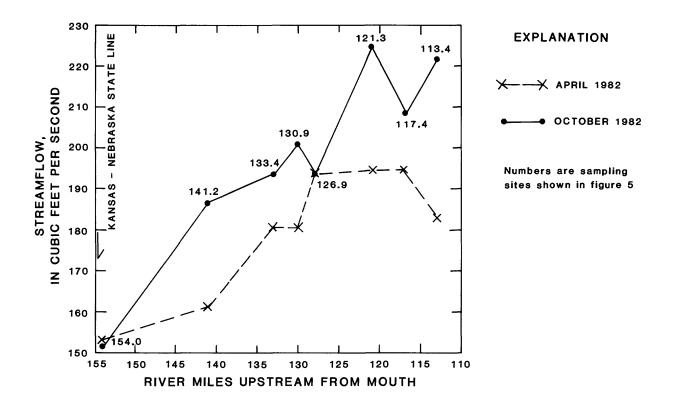


Figure 6.--Instantaneous streamflow in Republican River near the Kansas-Nebraska State line to sampling site 113.4 during April and October 1982.

valley are calcium and bicarbonate. Dissolved solids range from 317 to 843 mg/L in ground water from unconsolidated deposits (table 3). developed in thin Pleistocene or alluvial deposits with screens penetrating underlying rocks of Cretaceous age (wells 13, 19, 21, and 22, shown in figure 5) contained the largest concentrations of sodium, sulfate, and chloride ions (table 15 at the end of this report); the source of these ions probably is shale of the Colorado Group (in ascending order, Graneros Shale, Greenhorn Limestone, Carlile Shale, and Niobrara Formation of Creta-Water supplies from major valley deposits generally are usable Median concentrations of all chemical constituents for most purposes. shown in table 3 are less than the maximum contaminant levels that have been established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1976, 1977). No organic pesticides shown in table 1 were detected in either ground- or surface-water samples at concentrations that were larger than primary drinking-water standards (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1976). The chemical 2,4-D was, in fact, the only organic pesticide detected of those shown in table 1.

Table 3.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit, Republican River valley, 1981-82

Chemical constituent or property	Units	Source 1/	Sample size	Mean	Standard deviation	Mini- mum	First quar- tile	Median	Third quar- tile	Maximum
Specific conductance	15/cm <u>2/</u>	g B	23	1,000	482	470	720	810	1,130	2,400
рН	standard units	5 B	23	7.3	2.	6.9	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.8
Calcium, dissolved	/£7/6ш	5 B	23	140 110	99 98	64 30	94 88	120 100	150 110	350 270
Magnesium, dissolved	•op	5 8	23	16 19	7.6	89	111	14 18	22 19	34 39
Sodium, dissolved	•op	മ	23	67 76	48 57	15 31	40 40	48 56	80 74	200 230
Sodium-absorption- ratio	;	ŋ	23	П	.7	ب	П		2	ო
Potassium, dissolved	/F7/6m	ന മ	23	10	നന	ოო	8 22	6 11	12 12	25 17
Alkąlinity, as CaCO3	•op	9	23	300	29	160	260	310	360	400

Table 3.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit, Republican River valley, 1981-82--Continued

Chemical constituent or property	Units S	Source $1/$	Sample size	Mean	Standard deviation	Mini- mum	First quar- tile	Median	Third quar- tile	Maximum
Sulfate, dissolved	mg/L <u>3</u> /	5 8	23 30	140 190	170 230	12 35	40 62	84 120	130 180	670 830
Chloride, dissolved	•op	<u>ი</u> გ	23 30	55 49	48 35	11 17	20 27	32 36	83 62	170 170
Fluoride, dissolved	•op	5 8	23 30	ຕຸ ຕຸ	.1	2.2	2.6	ຕຸ ຕຸ	4. e.	7.
Dissolved solids	•op	ტ ფ	20 26	544 486	133 127	317 219	445 434	515 483	629 531	843 785
Nitrogęn, dissolved, NO2 + NO3	•op	5 8	23 30	7.63	10 .92	00	.08	3.7	7.6	39
Ammonia, dissolved, N Ammonia, total, N	•op	5 8	23 30	.14	.11	.05	.08	. 11	.16	. 58
Phosphorus, dissolved Phosphorus, total	•op	9 g	30	.22	.11	.08	.13	.22	.31	.39
Arsenic, dissolved Arsenic, total	ид/L4/	5 8	23 30	2 2	5	00	00	0	0 10	10 10

Table 3.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit, Republican River valley, 1981-82--Continued

Chemical constituent or property	Units	Sourcel/ Sample size	Sample size	Mean	Standard deviation	Mini- mum	First quar- tile	Median	Third quar- tile	Maximum
Barium, dissolved Barium, total	и g/L4/	៤១	23 30	270 210	190 100	0	100	200 200	400 300	800 400
Boron, dissolved Boron, total	•op	5 8	23 30	160 140	09 09	70	100	160 150	200 180	310 240
Selenium, dissolved Selenium, total	do.	5 8	23 30	8 9	111	2	2 2	വ വ	2 9	41 28
Iron, dissolved Iron, total	• op	5 8	23 30	180 350	310 180	10 100	20 220	50 300	230 440	1,300 890
Manganese, dissolved Manganese, total	•op	5 B	23 30	230 130	360 100	0 20	0 20	20 100	370 190	1,100 430

G = Ground-water sample; B = base-flow sample.

 $^{^2}$ Microsiemens per centimeter at 25 °Celsius.

³ Milligrams per liter.

Micrograms per liter.

SMOKY HILL RIVER VALLEY, CEDAR BLUFF UNIT

History of Irrigation Development

The Cedar Bluff Unit, established during 1963 (Leonard, 1974), is located in the Smoky Hill River valley in Ellis and Trego Counties (fig. 7). The irrigation-district boundaries extend from about 3 miles downstream from Cedar Bluff Dam to about 2 miles west of Antonino. Dryland farming generally was practiced at the time of this study (1981-82). No releases for irrigation purposes have been made in the Cedar Bluff Unit since 1979 because water levels in Cedar Bluff Reservoir have been too low. However, more than 13,000 acre-feet of surface water were applied annually between 1963 and 1978, the last year releases were made from the reservoir. Ground water has been the principal source of irrigation water since 1979.

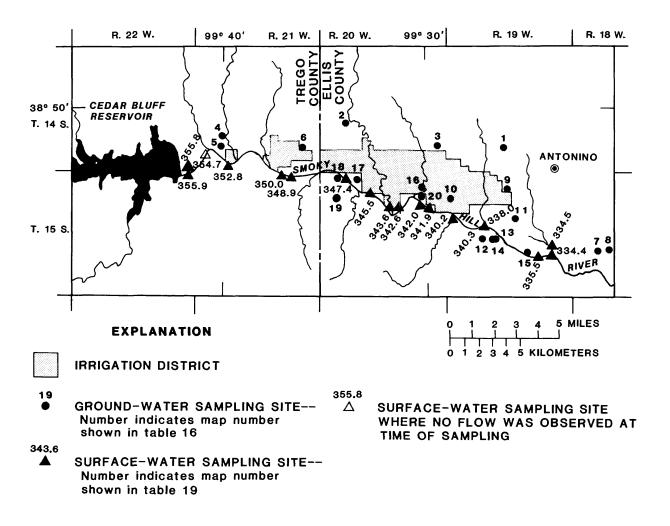


Figure 7.--Location of ground- and surface-water sampling sites in Smoky Hill River valley.

Hydrogeology

Unconsolidated terrace and alluvial deposits of Quaternary age are the major source of ground water in the valley. These deposits consist of silt, sand and gravel. Generally, the sand and gravel are overlain by silt or sandy silt (Leonard, 1974). The thickness of unconsolidated deposits near the river is about 80 feet. These deposits become thinner near the valley walls. The base of the alluvial aquifer is formed by the Greenhorn Limestone and overlying Carlile Shale of Cretaceous age (Leonard, 1974). These Cretaceous rocks generally are impervious, do not yield significant quantities of water to wells (Leonard and Berry, 1961; Leonard, 1974), and function as a lower boundary for ground-water circulation in the alluvial aquifer (Leonard, 1974). Some wells obtain water from the Dakota Formation, which lies below the Upper Cretaceous shale and limestone.

Hydrologic Conditions and Chemical Quality of Water, 1981-82

The Smoky Hill River is generally a gaining stream between sampling site 355.8 and site 335.5 (fig. 8). Instantaneous streamflow ranged from 0.06 ft 3 /s at the Cedar Bluffs Dam (site 355.8) to almost 7 ft 3 /s during March 1982. Ground-water inflow accounted for more than 80 percent of the gains observed for all seepage surveys. The loss in streamflow between sites 338.0 and 335.5 during August 1982, was probably due to ground-water pumpage.

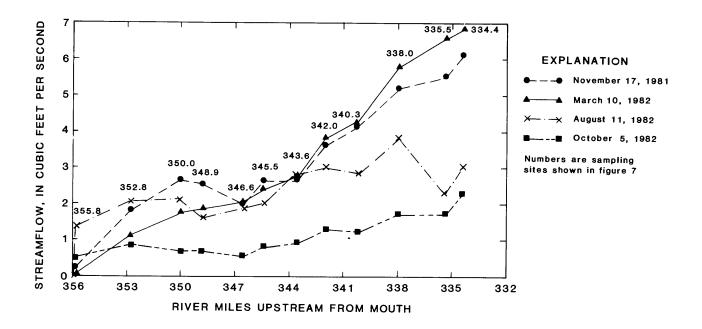


Figure 8.--Instantaneous streamflow in Smoky Hill River from Cedar Bluff Dam to sampling site 335.0, November 1981 and March, August, and October 1982.

Chemical-quality data from ground water and base flow are summarized statistically in table 4. Dominant ions in water from the valley deposits are calcium and sulfate. Dissolved-solids concentrations ranged from 550 to 960 mg/L. Water from wells developed in valley deposits generally is degraded; 80 percent of all wells sampled yielded water that contained concentrations of sulfate that were greater than the national interim secondary standard of 250 mg/L for drinking-water supplies (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1977); 25 percent of the wells sampled produced water that contained sulfate concentrations larger than 500 mg/L. Hinman (1935) reported that sulfate concentrations larger than 500 mg/L are deleterious to certain crops so that the ground water may not be desirable for irrigation purposes. About 15 percent of the 20 wells sampled produced water than contained concentrations of nitrate-nitrogen that were larger than the national interim primary standard of 10 mg/L (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1976).

EVALUATION OF EFFECTS OF IRRIGATION ON CHEMICAL QUALITY OF GROUND WATER

AND BASE FLOW

Possible Factors Affecting Changes in Chemical Quality of Water

A variety of natural, analytical, and anthropogenic factors can cause changes in the chemical quality of water. The most likely causes for changes in ground-water quality are changes in climate or season, changes in laboratory or sampling methods, and changes in local or regional land Whittemore and others (1982) presented evidence that concentrations of some chemical constituents changed in ground water from Kansas wells in response to drought. Thus, a long-term change to a dry or wet climate may result in changes in chemical quality of ground water. presented evidence from water samples collected from wells in California that nitrate concentrations changed seasonally. Differences in analytical methods used for certain chemical constituents also could account for apparent changes in concentrations through time. Kramer and Tessier (1983) determined that changes in analytical methods could be responsible for detected differences in values of alkalinity and pH before and after 1960. Changes in land use also may cause changes in ground-water quality. Changes in ground- and surface-water quality have been shown to be associated with mining, industrial sewage-disposal practices, oil operations, agricultural activities, urbanization, and other land uses (Miller, 1980).

Although a variety of factors could cause changes in water quality through time in each of the three study areas, a change from nonirrigated to irrigated agricultural land appears to be the most likely cause for changes through time in ground-water and base-flow chemical quality. No significant changes in land use have occurred in any of the areas, other than changes from nonirrigated to irrigated agriculture. No trends in climate, as measured by total annual precipitation for 1945-82, were detectable at weather stations in each of the three study areas as determined by a Spearman-rho test for trend (data not shown); there was no significant change in precipitation at the 10-percent level at weather stations at

Table 4.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Cedar Bluff Unit, Smoky Hill River valley, 1981-82

Chemical constituent or property	Units	Source 1/	Sample size	Mean	Standard deviation	Mini- mum	First quar- tile	Median	Third quar- tile	Maximum
Specific conductance	µS/c m2/	5	20]	1,530	570	830	1,170	1,370	1,660	3,080
Нd	standard	5	20	7.3	.2	6. 8	7.3	3 7.3	7.4	7.5
Dissolved calcium	mg/L3/	G	50	225	87	115	172	200	235	460
		B	13	210	12	190	210	220	220	230
Dissolved magnesium	•op	ය හ	20 13	28 42	14 6	9.5 33	21 37	25 43	30 46	70 54
Dissolved sodium	•op	ය හ	20 13	86 83	44 8	38	53 78	73 83	120 89	200 95
Sodium-adsorption- ratio	!	<u>5</u> 8	20 13	1.5	9.	∞;	1.0	1.3	1.9	2.6
Dissolved potassium	√g √g 3/	ច ស	20 13	8.1 14	5.0	4	5.3 11	6.0	111	20 28
Alkalinity, as CaCO3	•op	5 8	20	220	52	110	190	220	250	350
Dissolved sulfate	•op	മ	20 13	450 560	250 120	160 250	290 540	390 580	530 600	1,200 780
Dissolved chloride	•op	മ	20 13	100 86	55 11	28 65	68 79	88 88	116 98	270 100

Table 4.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Cedar Bluff Unit, Smoky Hill River valley, 1981-82--Continued

Chemical constituent or property	Units	Source <u>1</u> /	Sample size	Mean St de	Standard deviation	Mini- mum	First quar- tile	Median Third quar- tile		Maximum
Dissolved fluoride	mg/L3/	5 B	18 13	.41	.13	2.4.	က်က	4.3	. v	ဖွဲ့ ထ
Dissolved solids	•op	ŋ	11	790	150	250	650	810	930	096
Nitrogen, dissolved, NO ₂ + NO ₃	•op	ច្ច	20 13	5.1	5.3	00	0.0	3.3	8.5	17
Ammonia, dissolved, N Ammonia, total, N	•op	ច្ច	20 13	.15	.11	0.14	.09	9 .11	.16	.43 .34
Phosphorus, dissolved Phosphorus, total	•op	១ឧ	18 13	.05	.01	.05	.05	5 .07	.08	.10
Arsenic, dissolved Arsenic, total	μg/L4/	<u> ഗ</u> മ	20 13	: :	11	00	10	10	10	10
Barium, dissolved Barium, total	•op	ന് മ	20 13	1 B 1 B	: :	100	100	100	100	500 200
Boron, dissolved Boron, total	•op	<u>ര</u> മ	18 13	230 230	89 35	160 190	180	210 220	250 270	520 280
Selenium, dissolved Selenium, total	•op	<u> ഗ</u> മ	19 13	11 6	13	ოო	4 2	7	12	09 8

Table 4.--Statistical summary of ground-water and base-flow chemical-quality data in the vicinity of the Cedar Bluff Unit, Smoky Hill River valley, 1981-82--Continued

Chemical constituent or property	Units	Source 1/	Sample size	Mean	Standard deviation	Mini- mum	First quar- tile	Median 7	Third quar- tile	Maximum
Iron, dissolved Iron, total	μg/L4/	9	20 13	760 440	1,300 350	20 60	30 260	, ,	1,400	4,200 1,500
Manganese, dissolved Manganese, total	• op	<u>ი</u> გ	20 13	160 270	250 230	30	10 150	10 200	380	810

G = ground-water sample; B = base-flow sample.

² Microsiemens per centimeter at 25 °Celsius.

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Long Island (fig. 3), in the vicinity of the Almena Unit in the Prairie Dog Creek valley; at Scandia (fig. 5), in the vicinity of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit in the Republican River valley; or at Hays, located about 8 miles northeast of Antonino, in the vicinity of the Cedar Bluff Unit in the Smoky Hill River valley.

Seasonal variations in concentrations of chemical constituents in ground water also would not appear to be a factor in accounting for any statistically determined differences. No differences in spring, summer, or fall concentrations of calcium, sodium plus potassium, sulfate, bicarbonate, chloride, or nitrate, were detected at the 10-percent level in any of the three areas using a Kruskal-Wallis test [a nonparametric one-way analysis of variance procedure (Klugh, 1970)] on data collected from wells shown in tables 14-16 during March-April (spring), August (summer), or October (fall) of 1982.

Changes in sampling and analytical techniques also could account for possible changes in water quality. However, with the exception of sodium plus potassium and nitrate, analytical precision and accuracy of data for other major chemical constituents analyzed by methods used before 1960 and during 1981-82 are similar and indicate that the data generally are comparable for the pre- and postirrigation periods.

Sodium-plus-potassium concentrations before 1950 were determined indirectly by subtracting the millequivalent sum of calcium and magnesium from the total millequivalent sum of sulfate, chloride, nitrate, and bicarbonate and then dividing this residual by 0.043. Estimates of the accuracy of this technique were made using nine sample analyses randomly obtained from a U.S. Geological Survey report (1979), for which concentrations of sodium plus potassium were known (table 20 in the "Supplementary Information" section). The median relative error from these 9 samples was -10 percent. Thus, older analyses, which had sodium plus potassium determined by this method when compared to more recent analyses, could tend to have smaller concentrations. Sodium-plus-potassium concentrations for older analyses, which were computed indirectly, therefore were adjusted by adding 10 percent to the reported concentrations before the statistical comparisons were made.

Based on data presented by the U.S. Geological Survey (1975), the method used for nitrate determination by the State laboratory in older analyses was phenoldisulfonic acid (American Public Health Association, 1971), which tends to have a large bias (the method determines nitrate contrations larger than the true concentration). Thus, comparison of old with recent data would tend to show a decrease in concentration.

Methods of Statistical Analysis

Ground-Water Chemical Quality

Data collected from water-supply wells for the preirrigation period were compiled from studies by Frye and Leonard (1949) for the Prairie Dog Creek valley, Fishel and Lohman (1948) for the Republican River valley,

and Leonard and Berry (1961) for the Smoky Hill River valley. Data from well waters sampled during 1981-82 were compared with data from well waters sampled before 1960. Wells used in the pre- and postirrigation comparisons were developed in the same geologic material and generally had about the The well number and data from wells selected for the same well depth. comparisons are shown in tables 21-23 in the "Supplementary Information" section at the end of this report. Data were compared from wells that were matched as closely as possible by location (generally within 0.25 mile) to decrease variance caused by spatial differences in water quality. A single median concentration was computed from all available concentrations (generally 3 to 4) for each chemical constituent for each well sampled between 1981 and 1982. A single concentration existed for each well sampled during the preirrigation period. Chemical-quality data from the matched wells then were compared using a Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test (Conover, 1980) to test the null hypothesis that concentrations of constituents in ground water for the preirrigation period were equal to concentrations of constituents for the postirrigation period. Sodium plus potassium concentrations for pre-1950 analyses were adjusted by adding 10 percent to the reported concentration. If the probability was less than 10 percent that the difference was due to chance alone, then the null hypothesis was rejected.

Base-flow Chemical Quality

Base-flow data from each area were analyzed by one of three different methods depending on the type and quantity of data. The specific analytical procedures used on base-flow data from each area are described in the following paragraphs.

Prairie Dog Creek Valley - Almena Unit

Although four seepage-salinity surveys were conducted between November 1981 and October 1982 on Prairie Dog Creek, the stream had flow within the irrigation-district boundaries only during March 1982. Thus, the post-irrigation-period concentrations were represented by data collected only during March 1982. Data from a seepage-salinity survey conducted during May 1964 (table 24, "Supplementary Information" section) was selected for comparison because it was the only preirrigation-period spring seepage survey available.

The statistical comparison was conducted in two steps. First, correlations between streamflow and concentration were established for the preirrigation-period seepage survey using a Spearman-rho test (Conover, 1980). Because tributaries did not contribute to streamflow between sites 62.0 and 43.0 (fig. 3), gains in streamflow during 1964 primarily were due to ground-water inflows from the alluvium. Therefore, either lack of correlation or a significant negative correlation between streamflow and concentration at stations between sites 62.0 and 43.0 during 1964 meant that the ground water was approximately equal in concentration or less concentrated than the water in the stream (that is, the stream-water quality was being diluted or not being affected by ground-water inflow).

This technique established a baseline for ground-water quality. Because only ground water contributed to flow between sites 62.0 and 43.0 during 1982, the hypothesis could be tested then by use of a Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test that concentrations in this reach during the spring of 1982 were equal to concentrations in the reach during the spring of 1964. Results of the Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test would indicate either that ground-water discharging from the valley deposits in the irrigation reach between sites 62.0 and 43.0 during 1982 was either more concentrated, equal in concentration, or more diluted than ground-water discharging to the reach during 1964.

Republican River Valley - Kansas-Bostwick Unit

Seepage-salinity data before 1981 were not available for the Republican River within the Kansas-Bostwick Unit. However, chemical-quality data for 1966-71 and 1982 were available from two sites; site 154.0 near Guide Rock, Nebraska (not shown in fig. 5), located upstream of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit, and from site 121.3 near Scandia, Kansas, located within the Kansas-Bostwick Unit (fig. 5).

A simple evaluation of trends at the station upstream from the irrigation district and within the irrigation district could be used to evaluate whether irrigation-water applications within the district appeared to affect concentrations of selected chemical constituents through leaching of salts. Thus, no trend at the station upstream of the irrigation district and a positive trend at the downstream station would indicate that irrigation could be affecting water quality. No trend at both stations would indicate that irrigation was not affecting water quality. Positive trends at both stations would indicate that some factor, possibly irrigation upstream of the Kansas-Bostwick irrigation district, was causing increased concentrations in the river through time.

A Spearman-rho test for trend (Conover, 1980) was conducted on selected chemical constituents at both the upstream (site 154.0) and downstream (site 121.3) sites. Before the test for trend could be conducted, however, chemical-quality data were selected that were collected during low flow when the discharge did not differ by more than about 30 percent of the discharge measured during 1982 at both the upstream and downstream sites. This technique allowed for meaningful trend comparisons through time by minimizing variations in water quality due to correlation of concentration to discharge.

Smoky Hill River Valley - Cedar Bluff Unit

Several seepage-salinity surveys were conducted in the Smoky Hill River valley between 1964 and 1971 (Leonard and Stoltenberg, 1972). Data collected during the same months for each year of record from two sampling sites upstream from the major part of the Cedar Bluff Unit (sites 352.8 and 350.0, fig. 7) and two sampling sites downstream from the Cedar Bluff Unit (sites 338.0 and 335.5, fig. 7) were selected for comparison. Concentrations of several chemical constituents were tested for trends through time at all four sites using a Spearman-rho test for trend. A one-way analysis of variance test (Klugh, 1970) was applied to the data from each

site to determine if concentrations at any of the sites differed significantly. A Duncan's multiple-range test (Klugh, 1970) then was used to determine which sites had concentrations that were significantly different or were statistically the same.

Effects of Irrigation, Almena Unit, Prairie Dog Creek Valley

Results of Statistical Tests

Results of the Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test comparing pre- and post-irrigation ground-water quality are shown in table 5. Concentrations of sulfate were significantly larger at the 10-percent level during the post-irrigation period. No significant differences were detected in dissolved calcium, sodium plus potassium, bicarbonate, chloride, and nitrate, or dissolved-solids concentrations.

Results of the Spearman-rho test for correlation between streamflow and concentrations of chemical constituents during May 1964 are shown in table 6. Calcium, sulfate, and nitrate were not significantly correlated with streamflow, whereas sodium, chloride, and dissolved solids were negatively correlated with streamflow at the 10-percent level. Results of the Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test (Conover, 1980) shown in table 7 indicate that concentrations of dissolved sodium, sulfate, chloride, and solids were significantly larger in base flow during the postirrigation period than during the preirrigation period. Nitrate concentrations were, however, significantly smaller during the postirrigation period.

Table 5.--Results of Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test comparing pre- and postirrigation-period concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents in water from supply wells in the Almena Unit

[Levels of significance of less than 0.10 indicate that a statistically significant difference in concentration was determined and is marked with an asterisk]

Dissolved chemical constituent	Number of sample pairs	Value of T	Direction of change 1/	Level of significance (two-tail)
Calcium	5	3	0	Greater than 010
Sodium plus potassium	5	2	0	Greater than 010
Bicarbonate	5	5	0	Greater than 010
Sulfate	5	1	+	Less than 010*
Chloride	4	4.5	0	Greater than 010
Nitrate	5	5	0	Greater than 010
Dissolved solids	5	5	0	Greater than 010

 $^{^1}$ A plus (+) indicates a larger postirrigation-period concentration; a minus (-) indicates a smaller postirrigation concentration; a zero (0) indicates no difference between pre- and postirrigation concentrations.

Table 6.--Results of Spearman-rho test for correlation between streamflow and concentrations of selected chemical constituents, Prairie Dog Creek, between sampling sites 62.0 and 43.0, May 1964

[Minus (-) indicates negative correlation significant at the 10-percent level. Zero (0) indicates no significant correlation at the 10-percent level]

	Calcium	Sodium	Sulfate	Chloride	Nitrate	Dissolved solids
Sample pairs	9	9	9	9	9	9
Spearman-rho	39	72	20	64	.29	71
Level of sig- nificance	- 0	-	0	-	0	-

Table 7.--Results of Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test (Conover, 1980) comparing pre- and postirrigation-period concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents in base flow of Prairie Dog Creek between sampling sites 62.0 and 43.0

[Levels of significance of less than 0.10 indicate a statistically significant difference in concentration was determined and is marked with an asterisk]

Dissolved chemical constituent	Number of sample pairs	Value of T	Direction of change 1	Level of significance (two-tail)
Calcium	8	13.5	0 Gr	reater than 0.10
Sodium	9	1	+	Less than 0.01*
Sulfate	9	0	+	Less than 0.01*
Chloride	9	0	+	Less than 0.01*
Nitrate	9	0	-	Less than 0.01*
Dissolved solids	9	6	+	Less than 0.10*

A plus (+) indicates a larger postirrigation-period concentration; a minus (-) indicates a smaller postirrigation concentration; a zero (0) indicates no difference between pre- and postirrigation concentrations.

Interpretation of Results

Results from the Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test (Conover, 1980) conducted on the chemical-quality data from water-supply wells indicate that irrigation practices caused significant increases in sulfate concentrations in the ground water in the vicinity of the Almena Unit in Prairie Dog Creek valley. Possible differences in other chemical constituents tested were apparently too small to detect with the sample size used.

However, significantly larger concentrations of dissolved sodium, sulfate, chloride, and dissolved solids existed in the base-flow samples collected during the spring of 1982 than during the spring of 1964 as indicated by results shown in table 7 from the Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test (Conover, 1980). These results suggest that during 1982 larger concentrations of chemical constituents shown in table 7 existed in ground water discharging to Prairie Dog Creek in the irrigation district than during 1964.

The larger concentrations of chemical constituents in base flow during 1982, shown in table 7, may be due either to leaching by applied irrigation water or possibly, in the case of sodium, chloride, and dissolved solids, to increases through time in these constituents in water applied from the reservoir, as indicated by results of a Spearman-rho test for trend on concentrations of selected constituents in water released from Keith Sebelius Lake, shown in table 8 (data used in the analysis are given in table 25 at the end of this report).

A significantly smaller nitrate concentration was determined in base flow during 1982 than during 1964, as indicated by results from the Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test in table 7. The decrease in nitrate concentration during the postirrigation period is due at least in part to the change in laboratory analytical techniques; the phenoldisulfonic-acid method, which as noted had a positive bias, was used to determine nitrate concentrations during the preirrigation period.

Thus, irrigation practices appear to have caused significant increases in concentrations of dissolved calcium, sodium, sulfate, and chloride, and dissolved solids in base flow as indicated by pre- and postirrigation-period comparisons of base-flow chemical-quality data. Using only the available small sample of chemical analyses from supply wells, however, only sulfate concentrations appeared to have increased significantly; these results indicate that sulfate concentrations in ground water have undergone the largest increase due to irrigation practices. However, water quality in the Prairie Dog Creek valley at the completion of this investigation (1982) generally met national interim drinking-water standards (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1976). No concentrations of organic pesticides shown in tables 14-16 in the "Supplementary Information" section were detected, as of 1982, in any of the ground-water samples. However, 2,4-D was detected at a concentration of 1.4 μ g/L in a sample collected from site 80.2 (table 17).

Table 8.--Results of Spearman-rho test for trend in concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents in water released from Keith Sebelius Lake for 1971-82

[Samples collected in July of each year. Data from U.S. Geological Survey (1971-74; 1979-82). A minus (-) indicates a decreasing trend, significant at the 10-percent level; zero (0) indicates no trend at the 10-percent level; a plus (+) indicates a positive trend, significant at the 10-percent level.

A one-tailed test for positive trend was used]

	Calcium	Sodium	Sulfate	Chloride	Nitrate	Dissolved solids
Sample pairs	8	8	8	8	6	8
Spearman-rho	.19	.85	.19	.56	.54	.60
Level of significance	0	+	0	+	0	+

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Results of Statistical Tests

Results of the Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test (Klugh, 1970) on pre- and postirrigation ground-water-quality data are shown in table 9. Concentrations of calcium, bicarbonate, sulfate, and dissolved solids were significantly greater at the 10-percent or lower level during the postirrigation period than during the preirrigation period. Results from the Spearman-rho test for trend conducted on surface-water-quality data from sites 121.3 and 154.0 showed increasing trends in the chemical constituents for both sites (table 10).

Interpretation of Results

Concentrations of dissolved calcium, bicarbonate, and sulfate, and dissolved solids, were significantly larger in the ground water for the postirrigation period. Increased concentrations of other chemical constituents shown in table 9 were not detected, possibly because sample sizes were too small. The determined increases in concentrations of chemical constituents in the ground water may be due, at least in part, to irrigation practices. Irrigation water is a possible source of increased ionic concentrations in ground water because positive trends in all chemical constituents shown in table 10 were detected at the upstream sampling site (site 154.0, table 10); water is diverted through canals from Guide Rock, Nebraska, for irrigation of the area upstream from Lovewell Dam in the northern part of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit. Positive trends also were determined in these chemical constituents and appeared more pronounced at site 121.3, which is located within the Kansas-Bostwick

Table 9.-- Results of Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test comparing pre- and postirrigation-period concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents in ground-water supplies from the Kansas-Bostwick Unit, Republican River valley

[Levels of significance of less than 0.10 indicate that a statistically significant difference in concentration was determined and is marked with an asterisk]

Dissolved chemical constituent	Number of sample pairs	Value of T	Direction of change <u>l</u> /	Level of significance (two tail)
Calcium	7	1	+	Less than or equal to 0.02*
Sodium plus potassi	um 7	11	0	Greater than 0.10
Bicarbonate	7	3	+	Less than or equal to 0.05*
Sulfate	6	2	+	Less than or equal to 0.05*
Chloride	7	8	0	Greater than 0.10
Nitrate	7	6	0	Greater than 0.10
Dissolved solids	7	0	+	Less than or equal to 0.01*

A plus (+) indicates a larger postirrigation-period concentration; a minus (-) indicates a smaller postirrigation concentration; a zero (0) indicates no difference between pre- and postirrigation concentrations.

Table 10.-- Results of Spearman-rho test for trend in concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents at sampling sites upstream and within the Kansas-Bostwick Unit, Republican River valley, 1966-82

[All Spearman-rho values indicate significant positive trends]

Site 154.0 (located upstream of Kansas-Bostwick Unit, figure 5)

Calcium Sodium Bicarbonate Sulfate Chloride Nitrate Dissolved solids

Sample pairs	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Spearman-rho	.88	.88	.89	.82	•95	.81	.81
Significance	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01
level							

Site 123.1 (located within Kansas-Bostwick Unit, figure 5)

Calcium Sodium Bicarbonate Sulfate Chloride Nitrate Dissolved solids

Sample pairs 7 1.0 .9 Significance level <.01 <.01 <.01 <.01 <.05 <.001 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <.00 <	7 .96 <u><</u> .01
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Unit; the slightly larger Spearman-rho (indicating a more pronounced trend) at site 121.3 suggests that leaching by applied irrigation waters could be responsible. Sampling site 121.3 receives irrigation return flows from the southern part of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit, which receives irrigation water from Lovewell Dam. However, because no water-quality data have been collected downstream from Lovewell Dam for most of the period it has operated, no trend analysis could be conducted.

Whereas concentrations of some chemical constituents have increased in ground water in the alluvium, apparently due to irrigation practices, ground water and base flow are still generally usable for most purposes in the Republican River valley. Median concentrations of dissolved sulfate, chloride, and dissolved solids in ground water in the Republican River valley alluvium during 1981-82 are similar to the regional concentrations of dissolved sulfate, chloride, and dissolved solids reported by Spruill (1983). Additionally, median concentrations of all chemical constituents presented in table 3 are less than U.S. Environmental Protection Agency drinking-water standards (1976, 1977). No pesticides listed in table 1 were detected in any of the samples collected.

Effects of Irrigation, Cedar Bluff Unit, Smoky Hill River Valley

Results of Statistical Tests

Results of the Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test (Klugh, 1970) comparing chemical quality of pre- and postirrigation ground-water supplies in the Cedar Bluff Unit are shown in table 11. These results indicate significantly larger concentrations (at the 0.01-percent level) of the chemical constituents shown, except bicarbonate and nitrate, for the postirrigation period.

Results of the Spearman-rho test for trend (Conover, 1980) conducted on low-flow data collected between 1963 and 1982 (table 12) indicate significant positive trends in the chemical constituents shown, except for nitrate and phosphorus, at both the upstream (352.8 and 350.0) and downstream (338.0 and 335.5) sampling sites. Concentrations of sodium and chloride (table 13) were significantly greater at the sites downstream from the irrigation district, as determined by a one-way analysis of variance and Duncan's Multiple-Range test (Klugh, 1970).

Interpretation of Results

The significantly larger concentrations of calcium, sodium plus potassium, sulfate, chloride, and dissolved solids in ground water during the postirrigation period suggest that irrigation caused degradation of ground-water quality in the Smoky Hill River valley. Water in the valley deposits before irrigation began was a calcium bicarbonate type, usable for most purposes. Application of large quantities of calcium sulfate type irrigation water, with increasing concentrations of dissolved constituents, caused water in the valley deposits to change to a calcium-sulfate type. Concentrations of sulfate in the preirrigation analyses were less than

Table 11.--Results of Wilcoxon Matched-Pairs test comparing pre- and postirrigation-period concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents in ground-water supplies in the Cedar Bluff Unit

[Levels of significance of less than 0.10 indicate that a statistically significant difference in concentration was determined and is marked with an asterisk]

Dissolved chemical constituent	Sample pairs	Value of T	Direction of change 1/	Level of significance
Calcium	6	0	+	0.001*
Sodium plus potassium	6	0	+	.001*
Bicarbonate	6	9	0	.100
Sulfate	6	0	+	.001*
Chloride	6	0	+	.001*
Nitrate	6	8	0	.100
Dissolved solids	6	0	+	Less than .001*

A plus (+) indicates a larger postirrigation-period concentration; a minus (-) indicates a smaller postirrigation concentration; a zero (0) indicates no difference between pre- and postirrigation concentrations.

Table 12.--Results of Spearman-rho test for trend in concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents at sampling sites upstream (sampling sites 352.8 and 350.0) and downstream (338.0 and 335.5) from the Cedar Bluff Unit

[A plus (+) indicates a significant positive trend at the 0.01 level. A zero (0) indicates no trend significant at the 0.10 level]

				Dissol	ved che	mical con	stituent	s
Sampling site (shown in figure 7)	Calcium	Sodium	Bicar- bonate	Sul- fate	Chlo- ride	Nitrate	Phos- phorus	Dissolved solids
352.8	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	+
350.0	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	+
338.0	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	+
335.5	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	+

Table 13.--Results of one-way analysis of variance and Duncan's Multiple-Range test on comparison of concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents at sampling sites upstream (sites 352.8 and 350.0) and downstream (sites 338.0 and 335.5) from the Cedar Bluff Unit

[Samples with the same numeric symbol have statistically similar mean concentrations. Means are numbered in order of increasing concentration. Number of samples = 10 per site. Data from Leonard and Stoltenberg, 1972]

				Dissolve	d chemi	cal const	ituents	
Sampling site (river mile)	Calcium	Sodium	Bicar- bonate	Sulfate	Chlo- ride	Nitrate	Phos- phorus	Dissolved solids
352.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
350.0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
338.0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0
335.5	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0

250 mg/L, the standard listed for public drinking-water supplies (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1977). Concentrations of sulfate in water samples in all six of the postirrigation-period wells exceeded 250 mg/L, whereas only one of the wells produced water that contained more than 250 mg/L during the preirrigation period.

Increases through time in concentrations of calcium, sodium, bicarbonate, sulfate, and dissolved solids in water released from the Cedar Bluff Reservoir probably partially account for positive trends determined in low-flow samples collected at sites 352.8, 350.0, 338.0, and 335.5 (table 12). This is indicated by increased concentrations through time (between 1964 and 1982) for dissolved calcium (from 100 to 260 mg/L), sodium (from 32 to 75 mg/L), bicarbonate (from 156 to 195 mg/L), sulfate (from 280 to 700 mg/L), and dissolved solids (from 578 to 1,300 mg/L) at site 355.9 located about 0.5 mile downstream from the dam. Thus, the results indicate that changes in these constituents were due to concomitant increases in concentrations of chemical constituents in water being released from Cedar Bluff Reservoir and were not due primarily to leaching.

Leaching by applied irrigation waters did, however, appear to affect concentrations of sodium and chloride. This is indicated by results shown in table 13. Significantly larger concentrations of sodium and chloride occurred in samples collected at sites 338.0 and 335.5, which are located downstream from the irrigation district.

No significant difference in either nitrate or phosphorus concentrations was detected between the stations upstream and downstream from the irrigation district (table 13). In addition, no trends in either nitrate or phosphorus were detected in the base-flow samples at any of the surface-water sampling sites (table 12). These data suggest that irrigation practices have not had any significant long-term effect on concentrations of these two chemical constituents in the Smoky Hill River valley in the vicinity of the Cedar Bluff Unit. Denitrification processes may prevent accumulation of nitrate in the ground water. It also is possible that crop uptake of nitrate and phosphorus may prevent leaching to the water table.

Results of tests conducted for this investigation are consistent with that of an earlier study by Leonard (1974), who concluded that the composition of the ground water would become similar to the applied irrigation water (Leonard, 1974, p. 71). Leonard also concluded, based on concentration ratios of chloride and sodium in water samples from the Smoky Hill River to concentrations in the applied irrigation water, that application of the irrigation water leached sodium and chloride ions into the ground water (Leonard, 1974, p. 49). Although application of irrigation water has caused large increases through time in concentrations of dissolved calcium, sodium plus potassium, sulfate, and chloride, and dissolved solids, irrigation has not apparently contaminated the ground water in the valley deposits with nitrate and phosphorus. No concentrations of organic pesticides listed in table 1 were detected in the ground- or surface-water samples.

CONCLUSIONS

Irrigation has caused changes in the chemical quality of ground water and base flow in three alluvial valleys in north-central Kansas. three areas had been irrigated for 10 or more years. Statistical comparison of base-flow chemical-quality data collected during the spring of 1982 with data collected during the spring of 1964, before large-scale irrigation began, from sites on Prairie Dog Creek within the Almena Unit indicate that concentrations of sodium, sulfate, chloride, and dissolved solids have increased. Using only data collected from water-supply wells in the Almena Unit, sulfate concentrations had a significant increase at the 10-percent level; the sample used was possibly too small to detect significant changes in other chemical constituents tested. Concentrations of calcium, bicarbonate, sulfate, and dissolved solids in ground water in the Kansas-Bostwick Unit in the Republican River valley and calcium, sodium plus potassium, sulfate, chloride, and dissolved solids in ground water in the Cedar Bluff Unit in the Smoky Hill River valley were significantly larger during 1981-82 than before large-scale irrigation began.

Although concentrations of certain chemical constituents were significantly larger due to irrigation practices in all three areas, chemical quality of water in the Almena and Kansas-Bostwick Units generally met U.S. Environmental Protection Agency drinking-water standards during 1981-82. The Cedar Bluff Unit, however, had severe ground-water- and base-flow-

quality degradation due to application of water with large concentrations of calcium, sulfate, and dissolved solids from Cedar Bluff Reservoir. Postirrigation-period sulfate concentrations in water from all six wells used in statistical comparison of pre- and postirrigation-period water quality were larger than the secondary drinking-water standard of 250 mg/L (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1977). Leaching of sodium and chloride from soils by applied irrigation water also contributed to changes in ground-water quality in the Cedar Bluff Unit. Between 1963 and 1982 significantly larger concentrations of sodium and chloride were determined in base-flow samples collected from sites downstream than were determined in samples collected from sites upstream from the main part of the irrigation district.

An interesting finding of this investigation is that pre- and post-irrigation nitrate concentrations in ground water were not significantly different at the 10-percent level in either the Almena or Cedar Bluff Units (where nitrate data were judged to be comparable based on the laboratory analytical techniques used). These results suggest that nitrogen may be utilized by irrigated crops, that denitrification processes may prevent accumulation of nitrate in the ground water, or simply that possible changes in concentration were too small to detect with the sample sizes used. A decrease in nitrate concentrations determined in base flow during the post-irrigation period in Prairie Dog Creek probably was due, at least in part, to a change in laboratory analytical methods.

Data collected from ground- and surface-water sampling sites for this investigation indicate that irrigation has not caused contamination of ground water in the alluvium with organic pesticides for which analyses were performed. Pesticides that have U.S. Environmental Protection Agency primary drinking-water standards were detected at only one surface-water sampling site and at no ground-water sampling sites. Organic pesticides typically are not readily soluble and would be expected to sorb onto the soil in the unsaturated zone. However, even those pesticides, such as 2,4-D, which are readily soluble in water and are applied in Kansas, generally were not detected or were observed at concentrations near the minimum detection limit. These data suggest that organic pesticides were adsorbed, degraded, or were applied in quantities insufficient to be leached to the ground water.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

For tables 14 through 19, values are given in μ S/cm, microsiemens per centimeter at 25 °C; deg. °C, degrees Celsius; mg/L, milligrams per liter; μ g/L, micrograms per liter; and ft³/s, cubic feet per second. Dashes (--) indicate that value is less than minimum reporting unit; ND indicates that value was not determined.

Table 14.--Ground-water chemical-quality data, Prairie Dog Creek valley

Map num- ber (fig 3)		Date	Spe- cific con- duct- ance (µS/cm)	pH (stand- are units)	Tem- per- ature (deg.°C)	Cal- cium, dis- solved (mg/L as Ca)	(mg/L	Sodium, dis- solved (mg/L as Na)	cent	Sodium adsorp- tion ratio		linity field (mg/L as	Sulfate dis- solved (mg/L as SO4)	dis- solved (mg/L
1	395840099295101	81-11-18 82-03-11 82-08-19 82-10-05	740 795 750 780	7.6 7.2 7.3 7.1	13.5 7.0 14.0 17.5	110 110 110 110	20 19 18 19	25 24 24 24	13 12 12 12	0.6 .6 .6	14 14 15 14	180 340 340 338	60 43 46 49	14 13 11 14
2	395843099283901	82-03-11 82-08-19 82-10-05	810 720 800	7.2 7.3 6.8	5.0 16.5 16.0	120 120 130	13 13 13	21 21 21	11 11 10	.5 .5 .5	9.0 9.0 9.0	510 340 350	13 23 14	7.9 5.2 7.0
3	395738099304701	82-03-12 82-08-19 82-10-06	2,700 2,540 2,480	7.2 7.3 6.9	10.0 14.0 13.5	320 310 320	48 46 46	230 250 250	33 35 35	3 4 4	23 39 23	420 420 420	860 850 870	99 95 96
4	395643099320601	81-11-18 82-03-09 82-08-19 82-10-06	960 975 1,800 1,090	7.6 7.2 7.1 6.4	13.0 13.0 13.0 12.5	130 130 260 160	24 23 46 27	45 46 92 53	18 19 18 18	1 1 1	16 17 37 18	340 340 440 356	130 120 360 180	26 24 100 38
5	395702099315701	81-11-18 82-03-09 82-08-19 82-10-06	1,840 1,960 1,070 1,690	7.4 7.0 7.2 6.8	13.0 13.5 12.0 12.5	260 270 150 260	48 50 26 46	93 97 54 87	19 19 19 18	1 1 1	25 22 22 24	420 450 350 444	410 400 170 380	110 120 36 96
6	395557099335501	82-08-18	1,460	7.3	18.0	180	32	110	28	2	32	450	270	62
7	395550099335501	81-11-18 82-03-11 82-08-19 82-10-06	1,770 2,180 1,840 1,880	8.9 7.0 7.3 6.8	13.5 13.0 13.0 13.0	160 200 180 170	33 40 32 32	200 220 180 200	44 41 38 43	4 4 3 4	22 24 36 22	490 500 500 500	280 300 260 270	110 200 110 100
8	395623099342001	82-08-18 82-10-06 82-03-12	665 741 650	7.5 7.0 7.4	13.0 13.5 12.5	100 100 98	16 17 17	18 18 17	11 11 10	.5 .5 .4	7.0 7.0 7.0	260 264 260	37 33 37	28 29 25
9	395504099372501	81-11-18 82-03-11 82-08-18 82-10-05	770 860 1,080 928	7.4 7.2 7.2 6.9	13.0 6.0 13.0 19.5	110 110 150 110	22 22 30 22	30 29 44 29	14 14 15 14	.7 .7 .9	17 16 25 17	390 390 440 400	35 27 120 34	6.8 8.8 33 8.0
10	395458099373301	81-11-18 82-03-11 82-08-18 82-10-05	1,020 1,080 1,050 1,180	7.0 7.1 7.3 6.7	13.0 12.0 15.0 18.5	140 150 150 150	30 32 30 31	42 42 44 44	16 15 15 15	.9 .8 .9	19 18 26 19	440 450 440 446	100 110 120 110	27 25 32 27
11	395451099360101	82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-06	1,050 975 1,030	7.2 7.6 6.9	13.0 13.0 12.0	150 150 160	24 24 24	27 29 29	11 11 11	.6 .6	16 23 17	390 390 400	140 130 140	23 19 19
12	395406099385701	82-03-12 82-08-19 82-10-06	740 865 860	7.3 7.2 6.6	12.5 12.0 12.0	120 130 130	20 20 20	31 31 31	15 14 14	.7 .7 .7	12 14 12	380 400 400	40 44 48	16 16 11
13	395432099405301	82-08-19 82-10-06 82-03-12	800 740 590	7.3 6.9 7.4	15.0 14.0 13.0	130 110 94	21 18 17	16 16 14	8 9 9	.4 .4 .4	10 9.0 8.0	350 316 280	31 31 20	14 15 12
14	395406099410101	82-08-18	760	7.4	13.5	120	18	23	11	.5	12	330	64	15
15	395340099420801	81-11-18 82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-05	890 840 905 1,030	8.6 7.2 7.3 6.9	13.5 13.0 14.0 14.0	130 130 140 130	23 23 24 23	29 29 29 28	13 13 12 12	.6 .6 .6	17 17 22 18	360 360 360 356	64 67 65 65	34 36 35 34
16	395221099442101	81-11-18 82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-06		7.4 7.1 7.5 7.4	13.0 6.5 13.0 13.0	53 100 100 100	18 19 18 18	13 14 13 13	11 8 8 8	.4 .4 .3 .3	9.0 8.0 9.0 9.0	300 280 300 296	35 37 38 38	10 12 11 12
17	395215099443001	82-08-18	730	7.3	12.5	120	20	18	9	.4	15	300	65	24
18	395036099505801	81-11-18 82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-06	750 800	7.8 6.6 7.5 7.3	12.0 6.0 13.0 13.0	120 120 120 110	19 20 22 18	16 16 21 16	8 8 10 9	.4 .4 .5 .4	11 11 17 10	330 370 320 336	32 31 64 30	20 22 31 8.6
19	395030099485601	81-11-18 82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-06	740 790	7.3 6.9 7.3 7.1	12.0 13.0 12.0 18.0	110 110 120 130	21 21 20 20	22 22 24 16	11 11 12 8	.5 .5 .6	12 13 14 11	340 340 340 340	33 34 42 38	28 30 30 21
20	394918099533116	81-11-18 82-08-18 82-10-06 82-03-12	1,650 1,290	7.4 7.2 7.1 6.7	11.5 13.5 12.5 13.0	190 240 210 150	30 34 31 29	46 70 64 43	14 16 17 15	.9	23 40 25 22	410 470 424 400	180 200 200 160	89 170 120 86

Table 14.--Ground-water chemical-quality data, Prairie Dog Creek valley-Continued

Map num- ber fig. 3)	Station number	Date	Fluo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as F)	dis- solved	Solids, sum of consti- tuents, dis- solved (mg/L)	gen, No ₂ +NO ₃	Phos- phorus, total (mg/L as P)	rin, total	Lin- dane, total (µg/L)	total		total	2,4,5-T total (μg/L)	2,4-D total (µg/L)
1	395840099295101	81-11-18 82-03-11 82-08-19 82-10-05	0.3 .4 .3	55 54 60 60	410 480 490 490	0.10 .00 .10		ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND
2	395843099283901	82-03-11 82-08-19 82-10-05	.8 .2 .7	44 49 52	540 440 460	6.00 6.90 6.70	 2.40							
3	395738099304701	82-03-12 82-08-19 82-10-06	.4 .4 .4	29 32 32	1,900 1,900 1,900	14.0 16.0 16.0		 	 	 	 		 	
4	395643099320601	81-11-18 82-03-09 82-08-19 82-10-06	.24 .4 .2	45 44 45 48	620 610 1,200 740	6.40 6.30 9.10 6.00							 	
5	395702099315701	81-11-18 82-03-09 82-08-19 82-10-06	.2	44 41 46 47	1,200 1,300 710 1,200	15.0 16.0 1.30 16.0				 	 	 		
6	395557099335501	82-08-18	.3	54	1,000	.10		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
7	395550099335501	81-11-18 82-03-11 82-08-19 82-10-06	3	49 49 51 53	1,100 1,300 1,100 1,100	15.0 17.0 19.0 14.0	 	 	 	 	 	 		
8	395623099342001	82-08-18 82-10-06 82-03-12	.3	45 48 44	410 410 400	5.70 5.30 2.20	 	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND
9	395504099372501	81-11-18 82-03-11 82-08-18 82-10-05	.3	54 52 57 60	510 500 730 520	.00 .00 .00	 	 	 	 		 	 	
10	395458099373301	81-11-18 82-03-11 82-08-18 82-10-05	.3	54 53 59 59	680 700 730 710	.00 .00 .00	 	 	 	 	 	 	 	
11	395451099360101	82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-06	.3	53 58 58	670 670 690	.00 .00			 	 			 	
12	395406099385701	82-03-12 82-08-19 82-10-06	.4	52 55 55	520 550 550	.00 .00	 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND
13	395432099405301	82-08-19 82-10-06 82-03-12	.3	54 53 49	490 440 380	9.40 5.70 2.20	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND
14 15	395406099410101 395340099420801	82-08-18 81-11-18 82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-05	.3	54 45 46 50 49	500 560 570 580 560	2.90 5.20 4.00 4.60 4.90	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND
16	395221099442101	81-11-18 82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-06	.5	54 55 57 59	370 420 430 430	.10 .00 .00	 	 		 	 	 	 	
L7	395215099443001	82-08-18	.4	61	510	.00	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
.8	395036099505801	81-11-18 82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-06	.5	40 41 48 52	460 480 520 450	6.00 5.00 2.00 .10		 	 		 			
19	395030099485601	81-11-18 82-03-12 82-08-18 82-10-06	.4	49 52 56 45	480 490 510 490	.00 .10 .00 6.20		 	 	 	 	 	 	
20	394918099533116	81-11-18 82-08-18 82-10-06 82-03-12	.4	34 31 31 32	840 1,100 940 760	.10 .00 .00	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND

Table 15.--Ground-water chemical-quality data, Republican River valley

Map num ber (fi		Date	ance	pH (stand- ard units)			(mg/L	Sodium, dis- solved (mg/L as Na)	Per- cent sod- ium	Sod- ium ad- sorp tion ratio	Potas- sium, dis- solved (mg/L as K)	linity field (mg/L as	Sul- fate, dis-, solved (mg/L as SO4)	Chlor- ide, dis- solved (mg/L as Cl)
1	395524097490501	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	872 660 570	7.2 7.6 7.0	14.0 14.0 13.0	110 94 70	13 9.5 8.0	76 51 41	33 28 29	2 1 1	6.0 6.0 5.0	270 220 190	70 42 32	47 29 22
2	400005097545101	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	805 750 760	7.1 7.2 7.3	13.5 14.0 13.0	130 110 110	16 13 14	46 43 45	20 22 22	1 1 1	6.0 6.0 7.0	170 280 2 94	100 81 74	29 26 27
3	395735097503801	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	645 650 630	6.9 7.1 7.1	15.5 14.0 14.5	83 84 81	12 12 12	41 45 42	25 27 26	1 1 1	5.0 5.0 6.0	220 230 226	48 40 35	37 33 31
4	395636097504601	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	710 660 655	7.3 7.3 7.3	10.0 15.5 16.0	99 94 91	11 10 10	42 45 43	23 26 25	1 1 1	6.0 6.0 7.0	300 300 288	45 32 27	23 22 22
5	395550097515401	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-06	820 790 780	7.4 7.5 7.6	11.0 13.5 12.5	130 110 110	18 15 15	40 43 43	17 21 21	0.9 1 1	16 17 17	340 340 332	83 71 70	20 20 20
6	395728097580401	82-04-13 82-06-03 82-07-06 82-08-25 82-10-05	470 505 430 470 460	6.7 7.0 6.4 7.0 6.9	15.5 13.0 15.5 14.0 14.0	66 64 65 64 62	8.5 8.0 8.0 8.5 8.0	27 29 28 29 28	22 24 23 24 24	.9 .9 .9	4.0 4.0 5.0 4.0 4.0	160 160 160 160 150	54 49 57 43 37	13 14 13 13
7	395616098013301	82-08-25 82-10-05 82-04-13	785 740 760	7.3 7.2 7.0	14.5 15.0 14.0	140 140 140	9.0 8.0 9.0	18 14 15	9 7 8	.4 .3 .3	5.0 5.0 5.0	290 280 270	20 16 30	14 11 11
8	395913098025701	82-04-13 82-06-03 82-07-06 82-08-25 82-10-05	685 760 650 720 740	7.2 7.6 6.7 7.3 7.3	14.5 12.5 14.5 13.5 13.0	100 94 93 93 97	14 13 13 12 13	42 44 45 49 48	22 25 25 27 26	1 1 1 1	6.0 5.0 6.0 6.0	150 260 240 270 270	38 43 38 34 33	33 32 30 23 22
9	395452097462501	82-08-25 82-10-04 82-04-13	810 800 930	7.3 7.3 7.2	21.0 14.0 15.0	120 120 120	8.5 8.5 8.5	41 40 40	21 20 20	1 1 1	5.0 5.0 5.0	260 256 270	22 16 31	86 83 78
10	395307097490501	82-04-13 82-08-24 82-10-04	950 930 930	7.4 7.3 7.3	14.5 12.0 13.0	130 140 140	16 16 16	53 56 56	22 22 22	1 1 1	12 13 12	340 350 352	120 100 110	24 24 24
11	395452097505501	82-04-13 82-06-03 82-07-06 82-08-24 82-10-06	825 705 790	7.3 7.5 6.8 7.4 7.4	13.0 13.0 17.0 15.5 15.5	130 120 120 120 120	25 22 22 22 22 23	16 19 21 20 20	7 9 10 10	.4 .4 .5 .5	13 12 13 14 14	340 340 330 330 330	93 85 81 74 84	17 16 16 16 16
12	395208097502901	82-04-13 82-08-24 82-10-06	1,030	7.1 7.3 7.2	13.0 14.0 13.0	140 120 150	17 14 18	130 99 120	40 37 36	3 2 3	8.0 8.0 9.0	410 360 420	180 130 160	39 32 52
13	395031097525301	82-08-24 82-04-13 82-10-06	2,800	7.2 9.5 7.2	14.5 15.0 13.0	350 370 330	30 34 30	190 200 210	29 29 32	3 3 3	6.0 5.0 6.0	350 370 384	670 720 660	140 140 130

Table 15.--Ground-water chemical-quality data, Republican River valley--Continued

Map num- ber (fig. 5) Station number	Date	Fluo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as F)	Silica, dis- solved (mg/L as SiO ₂)	Solids, sum of consti- tuents, dis- solved (mg/L)	Nitro- gen, No2+No3 dis- solved (mg/L as N)	Phos- phorus total (mg/L as P)	, End- rin, total (µg/L)	Lin- dane, total (µg/L)	total	Tox- aphene, total (µg/L)	total	2,4,5-T total (µg/L)	total
1 395524097490501	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	0.2 .3 .2	28 31 31	510 400 320	21.0 10.0 8.10		 	 		 	 	 	
2 400005097545101	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	.3 .4 .3	24 26 27	510 470 480	0.90 .20 .40	 	 	 	 	 			
3 395735097503801	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	.2 .3 .2	28 31 33	390 390 380	5.00 5.70 5.70	 		 	 	 		 	
4 395636097504601	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	.3 .4 .3	34 40 42	440 430 420	.10 .00 .10		 	 	 	 		 	
5 395550097515401	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-06	.5 .4 .4	30 31 31	540 510 510	.00 .60 .00		 	 	 	 			
6 395728097580401	82-04-13 82-06-03 82-07-06 82-08-25 82-10-05	.2 .2 .2 .3	36 29 37 37 41	310 290 310 300 280	5.50 4.60 4.90 5.90 6.80	 		 	 	 	 	 	
7 395616098013301	82-08-25 82-10-05 82-04-13	.2 .2 .2	50 52 44	430 410 420	25.0 20.0 10.0	 	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND
8 395913098025701	82-04-13 82-06-03 82-07-06 82-08-25 82-10-05	.3 .3 .3	37 32 38 40 43	360 420 410 420 420	11.0 13.0 7.90 13.0 14.0	 			 	 	 	 	
9 395452097462501	82-08-25 82-10-04 82-04-13	.3 .2 .2	32 34 30	470 460 480	2.90 2.80 3.20	0.11 .14 .12	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND
10 395307097490501	82-04-13 82-08-24 82-10-04	.3 .4 .2	39 42 46	600 600 620	4.80 6.20 6.60	.12 .61 .36			 	 	 	 	
11 395452097505501	82-04-13 82-06-03 82-07-06 82-08-24 82-10-06	.7 .7 .8 .8	31 27 34 32 38	530 510 510 500 520	.20 .10 .10 .10	.22 .16 .22 .16			 	 		 	
12 395208097502901	82-04-13 82-08-24 82-10-06	.4 .5 .4	20 21 25	780 640 790	7.60 3.70 9.60	.05 .07 .13	 					 	
13 395031097525301	82-08-24 82-04-13 82-10-06	.4 .3 .2	21	1,600 1,700 1,600	41.0 39.0 28.0	.20 .07 .25	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND

Table 15.--Ground-water chemical-quality data, Republican River valley--Continued

Map num- ber (fig 5)		Date	Spe- cific con- duct- ance (µS/cm)	pH (stand- ard) units)	(deg.	Calcium dis- solved (mg/L as Ca)	(mg/L	Sodium, dis- solved (mg/L as Na)	Per- cent sod- ium	Sod- ium ad- sorp tion ratio	Potas- sium, dis- solved (mg/L as K)	as	Sul- fate, dis-, solved (mg/L as SO ₄)	Chlor- ide, dis- solved (mg/L as Cl)
14	395024097491401	81-07-08 82-04-12 82-08-24 82-10-04	880 870 950 970	7.4 7.2 7.2 7.2	15.0 14.0 14.0 13.0	120 130 120 130	33 31 40 35	23 26 24 27	10 9 11	0.5 .6 .5	24 27 25	370 370 390 386	100 110 85 100	22 16 15 16
15	395406098013401	82-06-03 82-08-25 82-10-05 82-04-13 82-07-06	750 745 760 740 735	7.6 7.6 7.6 7.4 6.8	14.5 19.0 17.0 14.0 19.0	96 95 97 110 96	13 13 13 15 13	55 56 54 53 55	29 29 28 25 29	1 1 1 1	3.0 3.0 3.0 3.0 3.0	310 310 312 310 310	12 3.7 1.8 13 15	
16	395333098001001	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	1,360 1,300 1,350	7.8 7.8 7.8	9.0 13.0 12.0	190 180 180	26 24 24	76 83 80	22 24 24	1 2 2	12 13 12	390 350 392	130 110 110	140 140 140
17	394709097471501	82-04-13 82-08-24 82-10-04	1,180 1,040 1,130	7.3 7.3 7.4	14.0 13.0 13.0	170 160 160	18 18 17	77 44 72	25 16 24	2 .9 2	11 13 12	320 310 308	190 180 170	86 52 89
18	394445097481501	82-04-15 82-08-20 82-10-04	1,150 1,170 1,120	7.1 7.1 7.2	11.0 18.0 14.0	150 150 140	11 11 10	110 110 110	36 36 38	2 2 3	5.0 6.0 6.0	410 250 408	130 130 110	59 70 62
19	394708097524403	82-04-13 82-05-27 82-06-30 82-08-24 82-10-05	2,000 1,900 1,950 1,880 1,850	7.1 7.4 8.0 7.2 7.3	12.5 12.0 14.0 13.0 13.0	280 240 270 260 250	32 26 31 30 30	130 130 130 130 140	25 28 26 27 29	2 2 2 2 2	2.0 4.0 3.0 3.0 3.0	180 190 330 300 202	600 500 600 560 550	160 170 170 170 170
20	394853097594501	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	700 600 620	7.3 7.2 7.2	10.5 19.5 17.0	92 80 83	11 11 11	37 39 38	22 25 24	1 1 1	7.0 8.0 8.0	250 200 216	80 79 75	20 17 19
21	394636098000201	81-07-09 82-08-25 82-10-06 82-04-13 82-05-27	2,080 1,950 2,000 1,940 2,030	7.3 7.2 7.1 7.1 7.3	14.5 13.0 13.0 12.5 12.0	240 240 250 250 240	24 25 25 25 25 24	180 180 190 180 170	36 36 36 35 34	3 3 3 3	5.0 6.0 6.0 5.0	360 370 366 360 460	400 390 390 400 380	140 150 150 140 140
22	394432097474901	82-04-15 82-08-20 82-10-04	2,710 2,390 3,300	7.1 7.1 7.3	13.0 14.0 13.5	260 320 200	38 45 32	320 210 480	46 31 62	5 3 9	11 14 11	430 460 404	560 770 350	350 110 680
23	394327097483201	82-05-27 82-08-20 82-10-04 82-04-13 82-06-30	915 800 890 840 930	7.5 7.3 7.4 8.4 8.0	14.5 16.5 15.0 16.0 16.5	120 120 120 120 120	12 12 12 13 12	79 47 73 81 79	33 22 31 33 33	2 1 2 2 2	3.0 3.0 4.0 4.0	330 320 326 330 330	98 60 88 96 95	39 26 33 37 36

Table 15.--Ground-water chemical-quality data, Republican River valley--Continued

Map num- ber (fig. Station number 5)	Date	Fluo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as F)	dis- solved	Solids, sum of consti- tuents dis- solved (mg/L)	Nitro- gen, No2+No3 dis- solved (mg/L as N)	Phos- phorus, total (mg/L as P)	rin, total	dane, total	Tox- aphene; total (µg/L)	total	2,4,5-T total (μg/L)	
14 395024097491401	81-07-08 82-04-12 82-08-24 82-10-04	0.7 .6 .7	35 35 32 37	590 580 600	1.50 9.50 5.60	0.05 .07 .37 .29	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND
15 395406098013401	82-06-03 82-08-25 82-10-05 82-04-13 82-07-06	.3 .3 .3 .3	14 19 20 17	450 440 440 460 450	.10 .10 .00 .10	.05 .42 .12 .03	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND
16 395333098001001	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	.2 .2 .2	31 36 37	840 800 820	3.50 4.40 3.70	.62 .66 .12	 	 	 	 	 	
17 394709097471501	82-04-13 82-08-24 82-10-04	.4 .5 .4	28 28 30	780 680 740	.40 1.30 2.00	.07 .40 .18	 		 	 	 	
18 394445097481501	82-04-15 82-08-20 82-10-04	.5 .5 .5	25 24 29	740 650 710	2.10 1.20 1.50	.03 .38 .04	 	 	 	 		
19 394708097524403	82-04-13 82-05-27 82-06-30 82-08-24 82-10-05	.5 .6 .5	16 13 35 17 19	1,300 1,200 1,400 1,400 1,300	.00 .00 .00 .00	.02 .02 .00 .34 .07		 	 	 	 	
20 394853097594501	82-04-13 82-08-25 82-10-05	.3 .3	32 30 30	430 380 390	2.40 1.70 2.50	.24 .65 .79	 	 	 	 	 	
21 394636098000201	81-07-09 82-08-25 82-10-06 82-04-13 82-05-27	.2 .3 .3 .3	25 27 28 24 20	1,400 1,200 1,300 1,200 1,300	30.0 31.0 33.0 32.0	.07 .59 .14 .06	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND
22 394432097474901	82-04-15 82-08-20 82-10-04	.9 .5 1.2	36 36 29	1,800 1,800 2,000	.00 .10 .00	.03 .26 .04		 	 	 	 	
23 394327097483201	82-05-27 82-08-20 82-10-04 82-04-13 82-06-30	.2 .3 .3 .2	21 29 28 25 26	570 490 550 570 570	7.60 7.80 7.70 6.60 5.90	.11 .31 .14 .12	ND ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND ND

Table 16.--Ground-water chemical-quality data, Smoky Hill River

														
Map num- ber (fig. 7)	Station number	Date	Spe- cific con- duct- ance (µS/cm)	pH (stand- are units)	Tem- per- ature (deg.°C)	Cal- cium, dis- solved (mg/L as Ca)	Magne- sium, dis- solved (mg/L as Mg)	Sod- ium, dis- solved (mg/L as Na)	sod-	Sod- ium ad- sorp- tion ratio	Potas- sium, dis- solved (mg/L as K)	linity field (mg/L as	fate dis- solved (mg/L	Chlo- ride, dis- I solved (mg/L)as Cl)
1	384707099272701	82-03-11 82-08-11 82-10-04	1,140 1,300 1,320	7.2 7.4 7.4	12.0 16.5 15.0	180 200 190	29 29 30	50 53 50	16 16 15	1 1 0.9	6.0 5.0 5.0	190 180 179	320 310 330	130 120 110
2	384813099332501	82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	1,080 1,150 1,310	7.3 7.3 7.5	10.0 16.5 18.0	160 180 180	20 21 21	64 72 70	22 22 22	1 1 1	4.0 4.0 4.0	220 260 266	280 300 290	52 59 59
3	384714099304701	82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	1,220 1,280 1,300	7.2 7.4 7.6	14.0 16.0 17.0	190 200 190	22 22 21	76 77 73	22 22 22	1 1 1	6.0 6.0 6.0	210 200 203	390 380 370	72 69 66
4	384732099422701	82-08-10	1,460	7.3	17.0	240	33	59	15	1	13	109	580	50
5	384713099421001	81-11-16 82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	950 910 890 840	7.8 6.9 7.4 7.6	14.0 8.5 22.0 20.0	120 130 130 130	19 19 18 19	42 41 44 43	19 18 19 19	1 1 1	4.0 4.0 4.0 7.0	210 210 210 210 216	16D 150 160 150	68 69 65 66
6	384707099380201	81-11-16 82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	2,720 2,600 2,480 2,260	7.6 7.8 7.1 7.2	14.0 6.5 20.0 20.0	360 380 370 350	71 75 68 63	170 160 140 150	23 21 20 22	2 2 2 2	14 13 12 12		1,000 1,000 930 880	160 170 160 160
7	384305099195401	81-11-16 82-03-09 82-08-11 82-10-04	1,540 1,500 1,480 1,600	7.3 7.3 7.3 7.5	16.0 15.0 16.0 15.5	180 210 210 220	29 29 29 28	88 84 82 90	25 22 21 22	2 2 1 2	12 12 12 12	180 170 210 184	490 520 500 480	120 90 97 110
8	384259099192101	81-11-16 82-03-09 82-08-11 82-10-04	1,490 1,610 1,500 1,550	7.5 7.3 7.4 7.2	14.5 14.5 14.5 14.0	190 230 220 210	30 33 31 30	84 84 83 82	23 20 21 21	2 1 1 1	12 13 12 11	170 180 340 178	510 550 510 480	82 90 97 90
9	384615099255601	82-03-11 82-08-11 82-10-04	1,980 2,940 2,180	6.8 8.1 6.3	14.0 18.0 16.0	370 16 370	36 5.0 35	8 4 650 88	14 95 15	38 1	6.0 8.0 5.0	370 350 336	420 280 460	270 560 270
10	384548099290801	81-11-16 82-03-10 82-10-04 82-08-11	1,690 1,850 1,550 1,710	7.3 7.4 7.6 7.3	15.0 15.0 15.0 14.5	210 220 210 220	26 26 24 24	140 140 150 150	32 31 34 33	3 2 3 3	9.0 9.0 9.0 9.0	220 230 228 120	550 540 540 530	97 99 90 91
11	384509099254101	82-03-11 82-08-11 82-10-04	1,250 1,340 1,440	7.2 7.2 6.7	13.0 16.5 16.5	210 220 220	23 23 24	57 64 64	17 18 18	1 1 1	6.0 6.0 6.0	220 250 292	340 340 290	81 88 97
12	384424099272101	81-11-16	2,300	7.2	14.0	320	25	140	25	2	4.0	230	670	160
13	384424099265601	81-11-16 82-08-11 82-10-04	1,340 1,400 1,380	7.7 7.3 6.7	15.5 15.0 15.0	210 240 220	26 27 27	50 52 48	15 14 13	.9 .9 .8	8.0 9.0 9.0	190 200 190	430 480 480	76 72 62
14	384417099264001	81-11-16 82-03-11 82-08-11 82-10-04	3,400 3,560 2,710 2,760	7.2 7.1 7.0 6.7	17.0 13.5 18.0 15.5	480 570 430 440	58 73 53 53	220 280 170 180	25 26 22 23	3 3 2 2	21 23 19 19	290 330	1,300 1,400 1,000 1,000	190 260 140 150
15	384338099245201	81-11-17	1,090	7.5	15.0	160	9.5	54	21	1	6.0	240	180	82
16	384628099302301	82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-04		7.4 7.3 7.6	12.5 22.5 17.0	170 190 190	16 17 18	51 58 56	18 19 18	1 1 1	6.0 6.0 6.0	200 200 205	250 270 250	78 88 92
17	384649099334301	82-03-10 82-08-10 82-10-04	1,440	7.4 7.4 7.6	14.0 24.0 19.0	190 190 180	22 21 20	150 110 130	36 30 34	3 2 3	7.0 6.0 6.0	220 220 214	400 410 390	180 88 99
18	384649099345901	82-08-10	1,040	7.3	16.0	160	25	38	14	.8	8.0	200	300	44
19	384603099345101	81-11-16 82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	690 880 875 790	7.7 7.3 7.3 7.3	13.5 5.0 23.0 18.5	89 120 120 110	15 18 17 16	37 51 60 54	22 23 26 25	1 1 1	5.0 5.0 5.0 5.0	230 220 220 252	88 170 190 140	20 41 31 25
20	384555099304001	82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-04	1,360	7.7 7.5 7.5	10.0 13.5 20.0	170 190 170	21 20 21	88 9 4 90	27 27 27	2 2 2	6.0 8.0 9.0	160 220 244	390 380 290	79 89 93

Table 16.--Ground-water chemical-quality data, Smoky Hill River--Continued

Map num- ber (fig. 7) Station number	Date	Fluo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as F)	Silica, dis- solved (mg/L as SiO ₂)	consti-	Nitro- gen, No2+No3 dis- solved (mg/L as N)	Phos- phorus, total (mg/L as P)	rin, total	dane, total	Tox- aphene, total)(µg/L)	total	2,4,5-T total (µg/L)	
1 384707099272701	82-03-11 82-08-11 82-10-04	0.4 .4 .3	22 24 25	850 850 850	4.70 10.0 4.10	 		 				
2 384813099332501	82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	.3 .4 .3	20 29 29	730 820 810	4.10 2.20 1.90	 				 	 	
3 384714099304701	82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	.2 .3 .2	26 31 31	910 910 880	4.30 3.80 13.0		 	 	 			
4 384732099422701	82-08-10	.6	28	1,100	0.60	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
5 384713099421001	81-11-16 82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	.5 .5	19 18 20 17	560 560 570 560	1.10 2.30 1.10 .70	 		 		 	 	
6 384707099380201	81-11-16 82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	.4 .4 .3	37 34 32 37	2,000 2,000 1,900 1,800	11.0 9.50 6.20 6.00	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND
7 384305099195401	81-11-16 82-03-09 82-08-11 82-10-04	.5 1.4 .4	19 20 24 24	1,000 1,100 1,100 1,100	.10 .00 .10 .00		 		 	 	 	
8 384259099192101	81-11-16 82-03-09 82-08-11 82-10-04	 .4 .7 .42	16 19 20 20	1,000 1,100 1,200 1,000	.00 .10 .10		 			 	 	
9 384615099255601	82-03-11 82-08-11 82-10-04	.2 5.0 .2	20 9.0 23	1,400 1,700 1,500	14.0 1.40 13.0	 	 	 		 	 	
10 384548099290801	81-11-16 82-03-10 82-10-04 82-08-11	.3 .3 .3	27 24 28 27	1,200 1,200 1,200 1,100	6.40 7.80 7.10 7.20	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND
11 384509099254101	82-03-11 82-08-11 82-10-04	.3 .3 .2	26 32 32	880 920 910	3.60 7.20 10.0			 			 	
12 384424099272101	81-11-16		24	1,500	15.0							
13 384424099265601	81-11-16 82-08-11 82-10-04	.6 .4	25 29 29	940 1,000 990	.00 .00 .20	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND
14 384417099264001	81-11-16 82-03-11 82-08-11 82-10-04	.6 .7 .5	28 28 30 32	2,500 2,800 2,000 2,100	20.0 22.0 11.0 14.0	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	 ND
15 384338099245201	81-11-17		24	660	.20							
16 384628099302301	82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-04	.3 .3 .3	32 35 36	720 780 770	3.00 10.0 9.80	 					 	
17 384649099334301	82-03-10 82-08-10 82-10-04	.2 .4 .3	23 23 26	1,100 980 980	7.90 9.00 8.70	 	 	 		 	 	
18 384649099345901	82-08-10	.6	29	730	1.40	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
19 384603099345101	81-11-16 82-03-11 82-08-10 82-10-04	.7 .6 .5	19 16 18 19	410 550 570 520	2.00 2.60 2.30 2.30	 	 	 		 	 	
20 384555099304001	82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-04	.2 .3 .3	15 21 29	870 930 850	1.60 .10 .20	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND

Table 17.--Base-flow chemical-quality data, Prairie Dog Creek

Map num- ber- (fig. 3)	Station number	Date	Stream- flow, instan- tangous (ft ³ /s)	ance	pH (stand- ard units)	(deg.	dis- solved	(mg/L	Sodium dis- solved (mg/L as Na)	Per- cent sod-	sorp- tion	sium, dis- solved (mg/L		dis- solved (mg/L as	Chlo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as Cl)
87.2	06848000	82-03-26	0.02	450	7.9	4.0	69	16	18	14	0.5	9.0	220	15	30
80.2	395023099502200	81-11-18 82-03-26 82-08-12 82-10-06	.28	1,320 1,130 1,240 990	7.9 8.6 8.0 7.9	6.0 1.5 18.0 12.0	93 80 110 80	23 25 22 19	150 130 110 85	47 45 37 37	4 3 3 2	34 32 28 34	310 240 280 264	120 120 120 73	210 170 140 93
78.8	395030099505800	81-11-18 82-03-26		530 410	7.9 8.0	6.0 2.0	82 65	17 17	11 13	8 10	.3	9.0 7.0	270 220	17 23	7.0 13
78.3	395046099504500	82-08-12	.18	660	8.3	18.5	100	18	16	9	.4	12	370	26	10
75.9	395056099484800	81-11-18 82-03-26 82-08-12	.28	735 990 8 2 5	7.4 8.0 7.8	11.5 2.0 19.0	98 86 110	17 21 18	32 100 41	17 39 20	.8 3 1	12 27 14	330 270 320	24 85 24	36 130 57
67.1	395202099444700	81-11-18 82-03-26		870 800	7.2 7.4	13.0 5.5	96 130	21 25	25 27	14 12	.6 .6	14 19	400 400	27 36	35 38
64.8	395235099441300	81-11-18 82-03-26 82-08-12 82-10-06	.16	820 695 785 930	7.6 7.3 7.2 7.6	12.0 5.0 17.0 11.0	130 120 140 140	20 19 19 21	19 18 23 24	9 9 10 10	.4 .4 .5	12 11 12 15	350, 320 330 346	63 46 61 74	27 24 28 30
62.0	395327099420800	81-11-18 83-03-26		9 2 0 765	7.7 7.6	10.0 4.5	130 120	25 23	26 25	11 12	.6 .6	19 15	410 330	73 69	34 31
58.4	395416099400700	82-08-12	1.3	685	7.8	18.0	130	18	15	7	.3	11	320	31	28
57.6	395425099394600	82-03-26 82-08-12		715 7 2 5	8.4 7.8	4.0 18.0	97 130	23 18	43 15	21 7	1 .3	17 13	270 3 2 0	55 36	56 28
55.8	395432099384000	82-03-26 82-08-12		710 705	8.1 7.8	4.5 19.0	110 120	21 16	42 18	19 9	1.4	17 12	300 320	59 35	47 21
54.2	395451099374200	82-03-26 82-08-12		680 770	8.5 8.0	5.0 18.5	94 120	20 17	40 18	21 9	1.4	16 13	270 320	58 37	44 25
52.9	395458099362600	82-03-26 82-08-12		675 790	7.6 8.0	4.5 18.0	96 130	21 18	40 16	20 8	1.4	16 13	260 330	58 36	42 29
50.7	395629099373300	82-03-26 82-08-12		665 640	8.1 8.1	7.0 18.0	95 140	17 19	36 21	19 9	.9 .5	16 15	260 330	52 72	43 33
49.0	395458099341200	82-03-26	.12	720	8.7	8.5	90	18	37	20	1	19	450	60	41
46.7	395544099333000	82-03-26	.04	635	8.2	8.0	87	17	36	20	1	19	240	50	39
43.0	395630099315700	82-03-26	0.	700	8.0	9.5	100	17	34	17	.9	23	280	59	41

Table 17.--Base-flow chemical-quality data, Prairie Dog Creek--Continued

Map- num- ber (fig. 3) Station number	r Date	Fluo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as F)	Silica, dis- solved (mg/L as SiO ₂)		gen, No ₂ +No ₃	phorus,	rin, total	dane, total	total	total	, vex, total	2,4,5-T total (µg/L)	total
37.2 06848000	82-03-26	0.4	28	320		0.05							
30.2 395023099502200	81-11-18 82-03-26 82-08-12 82-10-06	1.2 .7 .8	8.0 21 26 23	820 720 720 570	1.80 10.0 0.60	4.30 6.80 2.40	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND
78.8 395030099505800	81-11-18 82-03-26	 .6	36 13	340 280	.10	.22							
78.3 395046099504500	82-08-12	.6	46	45 0	.10	.35							
75.9 395056099484800	81-11-18 82-03-26 82-08-12	1.1 .5	43 15 39	460 630 500	.20 1.20	3.30 1.60	 			 		 	
57.1 395202099444700	81-11-18 82-03-26	 .3	52 25	510 54 0	.10	 .77							
54.8 395235099441300	81-11-18 82-03-26 82-08-12 82-10-06	.3 .5 .3	43 32 43 46	520 460 520 560	3.90 4.00 2.20	.37 .44 .69	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND
52.0 395327099420800	81-11-18 82-03-26	 .3	49 18	600 5 00	.10	 .55							
5 8.4 3 954 160 994 00700	82-08-12	.4	5 5	480	1.60	.26							
57.6 395425099394600	82-03-26 82-08-12	.3 .4	4.0 54	460 490	1.50	1.10 .46							
55.8 395432099384000	82-03-26 82-08-12	.3 .4	5.0 52	480 470	2.00	.72 .44							
54.2 395451099374200	82-03-26 82-08-12	.3	1.0 51	440 470	1.60	.41 .58							
52.9 395458099362600	82-03-26 82-08-12	.3	1.0 550	430 990	1.40	.30 .21							
50.7 395629099373300	82-03-26 82-08-12	.2	4.0 46	420 540	1.10	.35 .30	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND 	ND
19.0 395458099341200	82-03-26	.2	1.0	540		.36							
46.7 395544099333000	82-03-26	.2	5. 0	400		.30							
3.0 395630099315700	82-03-26	.2	12	450		.51							

Table 18.--Base-flow chemical-quality data, Republican River valley

Map num- ber (fig. 5)	Station number	Date	Stream- flow, instan- taneous (ft ³ /s)	ance	pH (stand- ard units)	(deg.	(mg/L		ium, dis- solved (mg/L	sod-	sorp- tion	(mg/L	linity field (mg/L	dis- solved (mg/L	Chlo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as Cl)
1/154.0	400005098052100	82-04-12 82-10-13		6 9 2 810	8.7 8.0	19.0 11.0	94 110	17 18	35 37	19 18	0.9	11 12	230 266	100 120	23 25
1/153.0	395926098043000	82-04-12 82-10-13		445 510	10.5 8.6	26.0 14.0	55 58	9.0 13	38 36	30 27	1 1	14 10	140 170	61 60	22 17
1/152.4	400005098045500	82-04-12 82-10-13		508 680	9.3 7.8	21.0 10.0	39 90	9.5 14	49 40	42 23	2 1	8.0 8.0	160 240	51 49	33 31
1/152.0	400005098033900	82-04-12 82-10-13		820 660	8.6 7.6	17.5 9.0	87 83	18 14	60 37	30 22	2 1	10 14	260 240	89 35	49 34
1/150.0	400005098023200	82-04-12 82-10-13		800 820	8.3 8.0	18.0 8.0	99 110	16 14	62 55	30 26	2 1	6.0 9.0	320 332	58 44	38 34
1/144.6	400005097581200	82-04-12 82-10-13		875 880	8.5 8.1	18.0 6.5	93 100	20 18	69 60	32 28	2 2	9.0 12	250 284	130 110	51 41
143.9	395919097590200	82-04-12 82-10-13		560 560	8.3 8.0	14.5 13.0	78 76	12 14	33 32	22 21	1 .9	7.0 6.0	240 226	36 32	17 18
141.2	06853500	82-04-12 82-10-13		690 770	8.6 8.8	20.5 10.0	94 110	17 18	36 38	20 18	.9 .9	12 13	240 264	110 110	24 27
139.3	400005097545100	82-04-12	.0	670	8.2	22.0	66	15	62	36	2	12	240	61	47
138.9	395958097535200	82-04-12 82-10-13		1,060 630	9.4 8.7	21.0 8.0	30 76	6.0 14	39 42	42 25	2 1	12 23	120 276	35 19	31 41
134.5	395642097521900	82-04-12 82-10-13		740 800	8.3 8.6	17.0 11.0	88 120	13 15	68 64	35 27	2	6.0 7.0	280 	69 65	36 38
133.4	395550097510300	82-04-12 82-10-13		1,840 700	8.2 8.7	18.5 11.0	98 110	17 17	38 39	20 19	1 1	12 12	250 268	100 110	24 26
132.6	395531097523600	82-04-12 82-10-13		1,150 1,180	8.2 8.4	14.0 11.0	140 180	26 26	98 90	31 26	2 2	10 11	250 362	300 250	62 57
130.9	395438097504600	82-04-12 82-10-13		760 755	8.6 7.7	21.0 10.5	100 110	18 18	42 41	21 20	1	12 12	250 260	120 120	26 26
130.4	395458097501200	82-04-12 82-10-13		610 765	8.0 7.9	19.0 12.0	81 120	13 20	31 37	20 17	.9 .9	14 13	200 350	62 69	28 29
127.9	395241097502100	82-04-12 82-10-13		2,500 1,710	7.9 7.9	20.0 9.5	260 190	36 26	230 190	38 41	4 4	8.0 9.0	290 410	830 450	82 60
127.0	395215097495600	82-04-12 82-10-13		780 810	8.6 8.2	22.0 12.0	110 120	18 17	49 49	23 22	1 1	14 12	270 300	120 110	27 28
126.9	395123097501300	82-04-12 82-10-13		740 745	8.6 7.8	17.0 10.5	100 110	18 18	40 40	20 19	1	12 12	240 260	120 120	26 25
125.8	395044097502100	82-04-12 82-10-13		1,730 1,650	8.3 7.9	12.0 9.5	180 220	29 28	170 150	39 33	3 3	7.0 7.0	230 370	510 420	110 91
125.7	395123097493900	82-04-12 82-10-13		1,050 950	7.9 7.3	16.0 9.5	140 150	25 20	60 47	22 18	1	17 15	320 290	200 190	41 42
123.1	394853097490500	82-04-12 82-10-13		2,200 2,350	8.2 8.0	14.5 10.5	270 320	39 36	220 200	36 31	3 3	8.0 8.0	200 346	820 720	170 140
121.3	06854500	82-04-12 82-10-13		760 825	8.4 8.3	20.0 11.0	100 120	18 20	43 44	22 19	1	12 12	240 260	130 130	29 30
120.4	394702097465900	82-04-12 82-10-13		840 1,570	8.8 7.5	21.5 15.0	110 180	12 20	64 140	29 36	2	9.0 17	210 348	170 140	48 220
118.4	394544097475800	82-04-12 82-10-13		1,120 1,190	8.9 8.2	22.0 14.0	100 130	16 18	140 120	48 39	4	15 12	280 296	230 250	71 60
118.2	394452097475800	82-04-12	.16	880	8.1	14.0	100	9.5	89	40	2	3.0	310	73	62
117.4	394419097465900	82-04-12 32-10-13		1,020 800	8.2 8.5	12.5 15.0	110 110	19 18	43 42	20 20	1 1	12 13	250 260	120 120	28 29
115.2	394321097475800	82-10-13	.02	748	8.3	12.5	110	11	45	23	1	4.0	242	86	48
114.5	394307097483200	82-04-12 82-10-13		2,010 2,110	8.0 8.1	14.0 10.5	260 290	35 32	200 190	35 32	3 3	8.0 8.0	200 330	780 700	130 110
113.4	394202097474100	82-04-12 82-10-13		585 870	8.6 8.2	21.0 13.5	100 120	19 19	51 54	25 23	1	11 11	240 240	160 170	35 34

Table 18.--Base-flow chemical-quality data, Republican River--Continued

Map num- ber (fig. 5)	Station number	Date	Fluo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as F)	dis- solved	Solids, sum of consti- tuents, dis- solved (mg/L)	gen, No ₂ +No ₃	Phos- phorus, total (mg/L as P)	rin, total	dane, total			total	2,4,5-T total)(µg/L)	total
1/154.0	400005098052100	82-04-12 82-10-13	0.3	19 28	440 510	0.30 1.20	0.16	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND
<u>1</u> ∕153.0	395926098043000	82-04-12 82-10-13	.4	16 13	300 310	.10 1.30	.52 .40							
<u>1</u> /152.4	400005098045500	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3	6.0 15	290 390	.10 4.60	.18 .20							
1/152.0	400005098033900	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	2.0 16	470 380	.20 1.70	.15 .53							
1/150.0	400005098023200	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	10 25	480 490	.00 .10	.22 .40							
<u>1</u> /144.6	400005097581200	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .4	2.0 16	520 530	.00 .30	.10 .25							
143.9	395919097590200	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3	16 17	340 330	2.10 1.90	.37 .35					 		
141.2	06853500	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3	17 27	450 500	.30 1.20	.23 .43							
139.3	400005097545100		.3	2.0	410	.00	.24							
138.9	395958097535200	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3	1.0 1.0	230 390	.00 2.00	.19 1.30							
134.5	395642097521900	82-04-12 82-10-13	.2 .2	10 18	460 530	4.00 5.80	.16 .28							
133.4	395550097510300	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	18 26	460 500	.40 1.50	.17 .42	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND
132.6	395531097523600	82-04-12 82-10-13	.2 .3	5.0 13	790 840	.60 3.20	.23 .37	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND
130.9	395438097504600	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	13 25	480 510	.00 1.40	.21 .45							
130.4	395458097501200	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	7.0 20	360 520	.40 .20	.51 .62							
127.9	395241097502100	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3		1,600 1,200	.40 .00	.04 .25							
127.0	395215097495600	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	14 20	510 540	.10 1.00	.32 .31							
126.9	395123097501300	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	14 23	470 500	.40 1.40	.21 .45							
125.8	395044097502100	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3		1,200 1,200	.50 2.50	.05 .28							
125.7	395123097493900	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	12 19	690 660	.10 .60	.17 .54							
123.1	394853097490500	82-04-12	.3	2.0	1,600	2.40	.12							
123.3	394853097490500	82-10-13	.4	17	1,600	6.20	.27							
121.3	06854500	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3	18 26	490 540	.40 1.50	.19 .46	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	1.4 ND
120.4	394702097465900	82-04-12 82-10-13	.2	8.0 21	550 950	.70 .00	.20 .67							
118.4	394544097475800	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	0 2.0	740 770	1.60 2.30	.05 .37	 						
118.2	394452097475800	82-04-12	.2	14	540	.00	.78							
117.4	394419097465900	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3	14 23	500 510	.40 1.40	.23 .46							
115.2	394321097475800	82-10-13	.3	5.0	450	1.10	.21							
114.5	394307097483200	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3		1,500 1,500	2.10 6.70	.07							
113.4	394202097474100	82-04-12 82-10-13	.3 .3	13 18	530 570	.30 1.80	.21 .45	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	ND ND	1.4 ND

 $^{^{1}}$ Sampling site is not shown in figure 5.

Table 19.--Base-flow chemical-quality data, Smoky Hill River

Map num- ber (fig. 7)	Station number	Date	Stream- flow, instan- taneous (ft ³ /s)	ance	ard	(deg.	Calcium dis- solved (mg/L as Ca)	dis- solved (mg/L	ium, dis-	sod-	sorp- tion	sium, dis- solved (mg/L	Alka- linity field (mg/L as CaCO ₃)	dis- solved (mg/L as	Chlo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as Cl)
355.9	06862000	82-08-	11 0.09	1,500	7.7	19.0	260	44	75	16	1	19	160	700	60
355.8	384708099424400	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 .1 11 1.5	1,740 2,100 1,440 1,420	7.4 7.6 7.9 7.4	9.0 9.5 24.0 18.0	220 220 210 210	51 54 40 42	81 83 64 67	18 18 16 17	1 1 1 1	30 28 25 27	94 94 110 96	790 780 620 650	63 65 49 53
354.7	384746099415300	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 11	1,570 1,650 1,550 1.550	7.3 7.1 7.7 7.0	8.0 15.5 19.0 18.0	230 190 230 250	41 39 40 42	71 67 71 76	17 18 17 17	1 1 1 1	19 21 26 21	180 190 190 194	640 540 570 620	64 69 65 79
352.8	384720099402300	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 1.3 11 2.1	1,620 1,950 1,800 1,850	7.4 7.3 7.6 7.0	7.0 12.5 18.5 16.0	260 220 260 300	46 49 47 53	79 80 92 92	17 18 19 17	1 1 1 1	18 17 24 19	230 220 230 250	680 660 620 720	76 80 90 96
350.0	384700099380200	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 1.8 11 2.2	1,560 1,570 1,670 1,490	7.4 7.4 7.7 7.9	8.0 10.0 19.0 16.0	230 210 240 230	44 45 48 42	74 73 94 74	17 18 20 17	1 1 2 1	16 16 22 17	200 190 220 206	620 580 590 54 0	75 77 100 84
348.9	384647099370400	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 1.9 11 1.7	1,660 1,660 1,650 1,480	7.6 7.8 7.8 7.3	10.0 15.0 18.5 14.0	220 220 240 230	44 46 47 42	75 76 92 75	18 18 20 18	1 1 1	16 15 20 17	190 190 230 208	640 610 590 550	77 81 92 85
347.4	384649099343400	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-6	10 2.0 11 2.0	1,630 1,720 1,580 1,630	7.7 7.9 7.6 7.7	8.5 8.0 20.0 16.5	240 230 220 220	43 44 42 41	81 82 92 83	18 19 21 20	1 1 2 1	16 13 17 17	220 200 220 202	630 250 520 510	84 90 97 99
345.5	384609099333600	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 2.5 11 2.0	1,650 1,730 1,540 1,620	7.8 8.0 8.1 8.0	12.0 4.0 19.5 15.5	220 220 220 210	42 44 40 38	86 82 91 87	20 19 21 21	1 1 2 2	16 13 16 15	200 220 220 214	630 580 510 520	84 90 93 93
343.6	384543099322900	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 2.8 11 2.7	1,640 1,750 1,510 1,600	7.2 8.2 8.4 8.0	11.5 12.0 19.0 17.5	220 220 210 210	41 43 39 36	87 85 92 90	20 20 22 22	1 1 2 2	16 13 15 14	220 200 210 208	620 580 500 500	86 95 90 94
342.6	384530099315600	82-03-1 82-08-1		1,460 1,500	8.2 8.1	14.0 19.5	190 200	26 32	91 110	25 27	2	8.0 10	170 180	490 520	72 86
342.0	384542099303200	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 3.9 11 3.0	1,500 1,560 1,450 1,460	7.8 8.3 8.2 7.5	14.5 16.5 19.5 15.0	210 210 200 200	37 37 33 29	87 85 86 83	21 21 22 22	2 1 2 2	14 11 14 12	200 180 430 210	570 540 470 470	84 88 81 86
341.9	384542099302300	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 .2 11 .12	1,360 1,400 1,360 1,280	7.7 8.4 8.1 7.7	14.0 17.0 18.0 14.0	170 150 180 190	23 23 22 23	100 100 100 98	29 31 28 27	2 2 2 2	9.0 8.0 8.0 8.0	200 190 230 238	420 380 380 370	92 99 97 98
340.3	384516099290800	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 4.3 11 2.9	1,620 1,550 1,350 1,520	7.9 7.8 7.8 7.5	9.0 9.5 19.0 18.5	220 210 210 230	36 37 33 33	91 87 84 88	22 22 21 21	2 2 1 1	13 11 13 13	210 190 210 208	570 540 470 530	85 88 79 88
340.2	384522099290800	81-11-1 82-03-1 82-08-1 82-10-0	10 .1 11 .06	1,810 1,900	8.3 8.0 8.0 7.9	8.0 8.0 17.0 17.0	220 190 240 240	25 25 24 24	180 170 160 180	37 39 33 36	3 3 3 3	10 8.0 10 10	250 250 290 286	650 620 570 610	110 110 95 110
338.0	384443099270400	81-11- 82-03- 82-08- 82-10-6	10 5.8 11 3.8	1,620 1,540 1,430 1,480	8.2 8.2 8.0 7.8	10.0 13.5 19.0 23.0	210 220 210 220	34 37 31 32	96 94 90 99	24 22 23 24	2 2 2 2	12 10 12 12	210 190 210 182	560 530 480 520	95 100 90 110
335,5	384325099245200	81-11- 82-03- 82-08- 82-10-0	10 6.6 11 2.4	1,640 1,880 1,670 1,480	8.4 8.3 8.1 7.7	14.0 14.0 18.5 20.0	180 210 200 220	34 35 32 32	98 95 89 98	26 23 23 23	2 2 2 2	12 11 12 12	200 180 200 186	570 580 470 520	96 100 92 100
334.5	384338099233800	81-11- 82-03- 82-08- 82-10-6	10 .4 11 .34	1,120 1,160	8.1 8.4 7.8 7.6	15.0 14.5 19.0 17.5	130 110 150 160	15 18 14 16	27 29 30 31	13 15 13 12	0.6 .7 .7	5.0	190 160 200 204	180 150 140 160	86 100 90 100
334.4	06862700	81-11- 82-03- 82-08- 82-10-0	10 7.0 11 3.1	1,600 1,480 1,490 1,400	8.2 8.3 8.2 8.0	16.0 15.0 20.0 16.0	210 190 190 210	34 33 28 28	96 91 82 88	24 24 23 23	2 2 2 2	12 10 11 11	190 170 200 188	560 520 420 450	96 100 89 100

Table 19.--Base-flow chemical-quality data, Smoky Hill River--Continued

Map num- ber fig. 7)	Station number	Date	Fluo- ride, dis- solved (mg/L as F)	dis- solved	Solids, sum of consti- tuents, dis- solved (mg/L)	gen, No ₂ +No ₃	Phos- phorus, total (mg/L as P)	rin, total	total	total	Tox- aphene total (µg/L)	total	2,4,5-T total (µg/L)	total
355.9	06862000	82-08-11	0.6	21	1,300	0.00	0.03							
355.8	384708099424400	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.8 .6 .6	8.0 1.0 10 11	1,300 1,300 1,100 1,100	.10 .20 .00	.06 .06 .09	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND
354.7	384746099415300	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.6 .7 .6	18 7.0 23 15	1,200 1,000 1,100 1,200	.40 .40 .60	.09 .10	 		 	 		 	
352.8	384720099402300	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.6 .6	20 9.0 21 16	1,300 1,200 1,300 1,400	.30 1.30 .80	.08 .20 .23	 		 	 		 	
350.0	384700099380200	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.6 .6 .6	15 10 19 17	1,200 1,100 1,200 1,100	.10 .00 .00	.07 .10 .15		 	 	 		 	
348.9	384647099370400	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.6 .7 .6	14 9.0 22 18	1,200 1,200 1,200 1,100	.10 .00 .00	.04 .07 .06	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND	ND ND ND
347.4	384649099343400	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.5 .7 .6	16 10 23 19	1,200 840 1,100 1,100	.10 .00 .00	.05 .04 .12	 		 	 		 	
345.5	384609099333600	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.6 .6	13 11 23 22	1,200 1,200 1,100 1,100	.10 .00	.05 .06	 	 	 			 	
343.6	384543099322900	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.5 .7 .5	13 9.0 21 21	1,200 1,200 1,100 1,100	.10 .00 .00	.04 .06	 	 	 	 	 	 	
342.6	384530099315600	82-03-10 82-08-11	.3	14 16	990 1,100	.00	.07 .07							
342.0	384542099303200	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.5 .5	14 10 24 22	1,100 1,100 1,200 1,000	.30 .10 .30	.04 .04 .10	ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND	ND ND ND ND
341.9	384542099302300	81-11-17		25	960	3.10								
	384542099302300	82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.3 .4 .3	13 29 31	890 950 960	 .10 .20	.06 .03 .05				 		 	
340.3	384516099290800	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.5 .5 .5	18 10 22 20	1,200 1,100 1,000 1,100	.20 .00 .00	 .06 .04	 	 			 		
340.2	384522099290800	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.3 .5 .4	24 14 27 28	1,400 1,300 1,300 1,400	2.80 1.50 1.80	.04 .05 .13	 			 		 	
338.0	384443099270400	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.4 .5 .4	18 11 22 21	1,200 1,100 1,100 1,100	.20 .10 .00	.04 .04 .11		 	 			 	
335.5	384325099245200	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.4 .6 .5	17 10 21 21	1,100 1,100 1,000 1,100	.10 .00 .00	.04 .05	 	 		 		 	
334.5	384338099233800	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	.3 .4 .3	19 2.0 22 24	580 510 570 620	1.30 .80 1.20	.05 .04 .09	 				 		
334.4	06862700	81-11-17 82-03-10 82-08-11 82-10-05	 .4 .5 .4	17 9.0 21 22	1,100 1,100 960 1,000	.10 .10	.04 .03 .27	ND 	ND 	ND	ND 	ND 	ND	ND

Table 20.--Estimated relative error of sodium plus potassium reported before 1950

[Data from U.S. Geological Survey Water Resources Data for Kansas - Water Year 1978]

Sample number	Predicted sodium plus potassium	Measured sodium plus potassium	Percent from measured value
1	17	18	-4
2	26	28	- 7
3	100	82	+22
4	55	63	-12
5	17	21	-19
6	52	57	-8
7	26	28	- 7
8	18	10	+80
9	47	53	-10

Table 21.--Chemical-quality data used in Matched-Pairs comparison of pre- and postirrigation-period concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents in water from supply wells in the Prairie Dog Creek valley in the vicinity of the Almena Unit

[Well numbers shown for preirrigation period correspond to those given in Frye and Leonard (1949). Well numbers shown for postirrigation period correspond to sampling-site numbers given in this report. Concentrations of all constituents are given in milligrams per liter]

Well number	د	Cale	Calcium	Sodium plu potassium	Sodium plus potassium	Bicarl	Bicarbonate	Sul	Sulfate	Chloride		Nitrate as nitrogen	ce as ogen	Dissolved solids	ved
Pre- irri- gation	Post- irri- ga- tion	Pre- F irri- i ga- tion t	Post- irri- ga- tion	Pre-1/ irri- ga- tion	/Post- irri- ga- tion	Pre- irri- ga- tion	Post- irri- ga- tion								
1-20-23da 4	4	173	145	72	89	515	430	118	160	78	32	18	6.4	880	650
2-21-8	15	104	130	59	46	436	440	15	65	34	13	• 5	4.8	456	290
2-21-11	12	98	130	56	43	314	490	12	44	11	11	0	1.9	338	550
1-20-32ad 11	d 11	138	150	45	46	200	480	148	140	28	19	•2	0	682	089
1-20-30dd 10	1 10	91	150	20	62	310	540	19	110	18	27	7.8	0	393	710

 $^{\mathrm{1}}$ 10 percent was added to the value reported to adjust for negative bias.

Table 22. --Chemical-quality data used in Matched-Pairs comparison of pre- and postirrigation-period concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents in water from supply wells in the Republican River valley in the vicinity of the Kansas-Bostwick Unit

[Well numbers shown for preirrigation period correspond to those given in Fishel and Lohman (1948)[F] or Fishel an Leonard (1955)[FL]. Well numbers shown for postirrigation period correspond to sampling-site Concentrations of all constituents are given in milligrams per liter] numbers given in this réport.

Dissolved solids	Pre- Post- irri- irri- ga- ga- tion tion	48	48	31	41	633	739	752
Disso sol	Pre- irri- ga- tion	101	434	280	228	380	527	593
Nitrate as nitrogen	Post- irri- ga- tion	13	4.	5.5	5.7	6.2	1.3	1.5
Nitra	Pre- irri- ga- tion	4.9	7.3	1.3	4.2	2.7	.	1.3
Chloride	Post- irri- ga- tion	30	27	25	33	24	98	62
Ch10	Pre- irri- ga- tion	6. 8	18	13	20	56	46	118
Sulfate	Post- irri- ga- tion	38	81	49	40	24	98	62
	Pre- irri- ga- tion	11	40	9.7	15	24	102	54
Bicarbonate	Post- irri- ga- tion	320	340	200	280	430	380	500
Bicar	Pre- irri- ga- tion	57	350	260	160	360	300	390
Sodium plus potassium	Post- irri- ga- tion	51	51	32	47	25	46	88
Sodium	Pre- $1/$ irri- ga- tion	2.3	29	18	24	75	95	128
Calcium	Post- irri- ga- tion	94	110	64	83	140	160	150
Cal	Pre- irri- ga- tion	23	78	73	49	95	106	108
د ea	Post- irri- ga- tion	F] 8	2	9	က	10	17	18
Well number	Pre- irri- ga- tion	1-7-11bb[F] 8	53 [FL]	63 [FL]	58 [FL]	107 [FL]	173 [FL]	176 [FL]

 $^{\mathrm{1}}$ 10 percent was added to the value reported to adjust for negative bias.

Table 23. --Chemical-quality data used in Matched-Pairs comparison of pre- and postirrigation-period concentrations of selected dissolved chemical constituents in water from supply wells in the Smoky Hill River valley in the vicinity of the Cedar Bluff Unit

[Well numbers shown for preirrigation period correspond to those given in Leonard and Berry (1961). Well numbers shown for postirrigation period correspond to sample-site numbers given in this report. Con-centrations of all constituents are given in milligrams per liter]

Pre- Post- <	Well number		Calc	Calcium	Sodium	Sodium plus potassium	Bicart	Bicarbonate	Sul	Sulfate	Ch1c	Chloride	Nitrate a nitrogen	te as ogen	Dissolved solids	ved
100 190 5 136 276 270 30 86 160 32 46 264 240 40 108 190 1 82 296 240 26 226 365 89 167 374 330 648 69 215 26 154 212 270 29		st- ri- on	Pre- irri- ga- tion	Post- irri- ga- tion	$\frac{Pre-1}{irri-ga-}$	l '	Pre- irri- ga- tion		Pre- irri- ga- tion	Post- irri- ga- tion	Pre- irri- ga- tion	Post- irri- ga- tion	Pre- irri- ga- tion	Post- irri- ga- tion	Pre- F irri- ga- tion	Pre- Post- irri- irri- ga- ga- tion tion
3 86 160 32 46 264 240 40 5 108 190 1 82 296 240 26 6 226 365 89 167 374 330 648 10 69 215 26 154 212 270 29	4-20-32aa1	17	100	190	5	136	276	270	30	400	35	66	0.44	8.7	391	066
5 108 190 1 82 296 240 26 6 226 365 89 167 374 330 648 10 69 215 26 154 212 270 29	4-20-35dc	က	98	160	32	46	264	240	40	300	30	44	9.3	1.4	422	737
6 226 365 89 167 374 330 648 10 69 215 26 154 212 270 29	4-21-35ca	2	108	190	П	82	596	240	56	380	18	69	2.2	4.3	427	931
10 69 215 26 154 212 270 29	4-21-35cd	9	226	365	88	167	374	330	648	396	41	160	5.6	7.8	1,330	1,620
		10	69	215	56	154	212	270	53	540	15	94	10	7.2	498	498
15-20-12ad 16 130 190 20 62 244 270 8 250		16	130	190	20	62	244	270	∞	250	45	88	41	8.6	628	810

10 percent was added to the value reported to adjust for negative bias.

Table 24.--Streamflow and chemical-quality data from seepage-salinity survey on Prairie Dog Creek, May 1964, from sampling sites 62.0 and 43.0

[Streamflow reported in cubic feet per second. All dissolved chemical constituents reported in milligrams per liter]

Sampling site	Streamflow	Calcium	Sodium	Sulfate	Chloride	Nitrate as nitrogen	s Dissolved solids
62.0	2.52	96	28	20	27	0.9	430
57.6	3.96	95	27	21	27	.9	428
55.8	3.38	99	26	21	26	1.2	423
54.2	3.44	94	26	19	24	1.1	428
52.9	3.00	98	26	20	25	•9	430
50.7	2.72	92	27	21	27	.8	441
49.0	2.70	101	28	25	27	•5	430
46.7	2.52	98	29	24	30	.4	439
43.0	3.88	93	26	23	23	.4	424

Table 25.--Selected chemical-quality data from Keith Sebelius Lake near Norton, Kansas

[All samples were collected during July of each year. Concentrations are given in milligrams per liter (mg/L)]

Year samples were collected	Dissolved calcium (mg/L)	Dissolved sodium (mg/L)	Dissolved chloride (mg/L)	Dissolved sulfate (mg/L)	Dissolved nitrate (mg/L)	Dissolved solids (mg/L)
1971	47	12	11	33	ar #	234
1972	44	20	18	43	0.07	292
1973	50	14	15	27	•04	25 8
1974	50	17	17	36	•11	271
1979	47	19	11	23	.25	267
1980	52	21	15	26	.18	277
1981	39	23	20	39		275
1982	50	25	27	81	.09	396

Table 26.--Selected streamflow and chemical-quality data from site 154.0 near Guide Rock, Nebraska, and site 121.3 near Scandia, Kansas

[Data from U.S. Geological Survey (1964-70). Streamflow reported in cubic feet per second. All dissolved chemical constituents reported in milligrams per liter]

ved	Site 121.3	318 380 378 378 428 400 496	
Dissolved solids	Site 154.0	316 3 331 331 312 3 382 4 381 4 394 4	
as	Site 121.3	0.1 33 11.5 33 11.7 33 2.3 33 7. 53	
Nitrate as nitrogen	Site 154.0 1	2.7 1.8 1.8 5.4 7	
_	Site Site Site 154.0 121.3 154.0	11 17 19 19 18 16 16 30	
Chloride	Site 154.0	14 114 117 117 117 25	
	ع د ر	51 74 75 83 83 76 100	
Sulfate	Site 154.0	52 51 53 85 85 78 70	
nate	Site 121.3	243 278 247 310 292 329 329	
Bicarbonate	Site Site 154.0 121.3	242 249 239 264 273 273 334	
m B	Site 121.3	24 26 29 32 29 39 46	
Sodiu	Site 154.0	22 23 23 28 25 25 37	
ium	Site 121.3	60 74 68 84 78 100	
Calc.	Site Site 154.0 121.	64 66 61 75 75 75 113	
flow	Site 121.3	294 164 300 248 250 184	
Stream	Site Site 154.0 121.3	115 110 132 150 150 127	
	month year)	9-66 10-66 9-67 9-68 10-69 11-70 10-821/	

Data for the upstream site for this date was obtained from sampling site 154.0.